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Japan Open For Trade On Aug. 15

Tokyo, June 8.
General Douglas MacArthur announced today that Japan will open limited private trade on August 15. Accommodations for 400 private trade representatives will be made available.

The announcement said: "It is expected that within the limit of the 400 available accommodations in Japan, allocations to the Allied nations will be made by the Allied Trade Board of the Far Eastern Commission."

The basis of the Trade Board's allocation has not been made public.

"After the announcement of the quotas, the selection of trade representatives to visit Japan will be made by various nations concerned in accordance with procedures established by them. Final approval for entry will be extended by SCAP."

The statement continued: "Business services such as banking, international communications, insurance and others, will be offered as rapidly as available. International interests will be permitted immediate entry into Japan for these purposes to the extent required."

"Initially there will be no foreign exchange rates established, but this will be done as soon as conditions permit. It has been agreed in Tokyo and Washington that no exchange rate is practical until a flow of export trade in a wide range of commodities has been established." — Associated Press.

(See also Page 8.)

Visa-Sales Racket

Rome, June 8.
The police today broke up a Uruguayan visa-sales racket and brought charges against Laterza, former Vice-Consul for Uruguay in Rome.

Laterza, an Italian national born at Asuncion in 1921, allegedly demanded that visa applicants pay sums ranging from \$6 to \$8 for clerical work and cost of stamps for visas which were issued gratis.

Laterza continued his visa racket despite his dismissal early in April. — United Press.

UNO, USA Must Quit Being Negative

New York, June 7.

Louis Fischer, author and correspondent, in a speech at the Liberal Party luncheon today, said, "The Truman doctrine means that America has discarded isolationism. That is why the Russians and Communists don't like it. Moscow hopes that we will get out of Europe and Asia. Without us Europe and parts of Asia would fall into Russia's lap."

He expressed regret that the United States and other democracies did not apply a similar doctrine in Manchuria and Abyssinia despite the fact that in those days Manchuria was "under the dictatorship of a Chinese warlord" and Abyssinia was a "slave-holding backward autocracy."

He asserted, "It is the duty of the United States and other democracies and the United Nations to protect all weak and small countries against direct and indirect aggression irrespective of the nature of the governments in those countries."

Soviet Designs
"I have condemned British imperialism. But to continue to do so with the same intensity, as Henry Wallace and others do, when the British are visibly getting out of India, Egypt and Greece is to, in a dying hour."

"I have condemned American imperialism. I would be a hypocrite therefore if I did not also condemn Soviet im-

IMPLICATIONS OF THE "GET TOGETHER" EUROPE PLEA

United States To Provide \$6,000,000,000 A Year For Reconstruction?

General Marshall's "Loudest Hint"

Washington, June 7.

Well-informed observers here were today discussing the possibility of the United States providing \$6,000,000,000 per year for three years to aid European reconstruction as they weighed the implications of the "get together" appeal to Europe of the Secretary of State, General George C. Marshall.

The immediate need, Washington believes, is preparation by the European nations of a consolidated balance sheet of dollar deficits and requirements, and of the productive resources of the countries. This would be a preliminary to the planning of the suggested mutual-aid programme by all concerned.

American officials said that when the discussions take place, they will be of an informal and private nature. A French Embassy spokesman said that the French Reconstruction Chief, M. Jean Monnet, may arrive next week. "This news has lent some support to the theory that some broadening of the 'Monnet plan' for French reconstruction to include Britain and the other European countries might prove to be the best formula by which General Marshall's proposals could be fulfilled."

United States officials, however, expressed anxiety over the apparent misinterpretation placed on General Marshall's speech by some sections of European opinion.

Up To Europe
These officials declared that any speculation that General Marshall was prepared to call a "European economic conference" or that President Truman was ready with a message to Congress asking for thousands of millions of dollars showed a complete lack of understanding of the fundamentals of the policy enunciated by General Marshall.

The Secretary of State had made it clear that no United States initiative in convening inter-European discussion was intended and that it was a matter for the Europeans themselves.

United States officials described as academic the discussion on whether or not Congressional approval would be sought for any plan that may emerge from such discussions.

Eventually, if Europe accepts and acts on General Marshall's proposals, President Truman will have to go to Congress to seek appropriation of the necessary—and certainly huge—funds.

How this is to be done, however, and how much will be needed, is at present unknown and unplanned.

This phase of the policy cannot be expected to develop for many months. The keynote of the "Continental plan" at this stage, as the United States sees it, is "it is up to Europe."

A suggestion that the Monnet plan be used as a basis for filling General Marshall's policy was enthusiastically supported here today by the newspaper, Washington Post.

Recovery First
"More production and not more dollars is the heart of the European problem as the United States sees it," it said. "Monnet aims at more production speedily. In England, they are concentrating on reform at the expense of recovery with a view to promoting social welfare for their children's children."

"But recovery must come first if Europe is to be saved. If the British were inspired by Marshall's speech to put Monnet to work on behalf of both Britain and France and to enroll that other good European Premier, M. Paul Spaak, of Belgium in their undertaking, there is some likelihood of a good reception in Washington."

The French Embassy said that M. Monnet's visit here was intended to be chiefly concerned with immediate French problems of finance, wheat and coal.

MACAO CAN RELAX

Canton, June 8.

Government authorities denied today Chinese press reports (unconfirmed by any other source) that Chinese troops were ready to seize Macao.

Agitation by the Chinese that China took over the colony is reported to be diminishing. There is no confirmation of Chinese reports that the Portuguese authorities declared martial law in Macao. — Associated Press.

Jewels Hidden In Dustbin

Mucking, June 7.

A refuse barge sailed down the River Thames this afternoon to a dumping ground at Mucking, Essex. Somewhere on board the barge was a cardboard box containing 400 worth of jewellery, owned by Mrs. Gertrude Barkat of Exeter House, Putney Heath.

Because Mrs. Barkat was afraid of a robbery she tried to fool the attempts of thieves by hiding the jewellery in a box in the dustbin before going out to visit friends. Later she forgot about the jewellery and put the dustbin outside for emptying.

Then, when she remembered what she had done, she made inquiries and found that the contents of the dustbin had been emptied into a barge and that it was too late to stop the barge from sailing.

The barge arrives at Mucking sometime this weekend and arrangements have been made to search it before the load is transferred to the dump. A 400 reward has been offered to the finder. — Reuter.

Peace Treaty With Russia!

Montgomery, Ala., June 8.

Former Vice-President Henry Wallace said today that a "peace treaty with Russia" is the major task confronting American foreign policy-makers.

Speaking here on his continued national tour, Wallace urged agreement with Soviet Russia and opposed the idea of separate peace treaties with Austria and Germany as advocated by Senator Vandenberg and former President Hoover.

He declared that persistence in the race for resources and armaments "will be inviting our children and grand-children to perish in a third and final war."

Wallace urged a start on an agreement with Russia by reaching an understanding on an "equitable distribution of oil."

He called for the immediate halting of the "international traffic in arms." — United Press.

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Record Floods In Iowa

Chicago, June 7.

Five were drowned and thousands left temporarily homeless when flood waters hit a record height in Iowa state today.

In Ottumwa, Iowa, two women and three children were drowned when the boat in which they were fleeing from the mounting waters ripped apart. A transport plane and two amphibian planes were on their way to Ottumwa to take part in the rescue work. The transport had on board 15 rubber life rafts and emergency rations. — Reuter.

More Deaths

Chicago, June 8.

Rain - swollen mid-western streams, which already have made thousands homeless, today rushed torrents of muddy water into the Mississippi, threatening the worst flood ever to strike the Iowa and Illinois shores of the river. The Mississippi River is rising rapidly.

At least 10 persons have been killed and countless acres of crops are in danger as tributaries rage over the banks.

Eastward in Pennsylvania and Ohio, a tornado whipped through small towns, leveling buildings and killing at least five persons. Families have been evacuated in Pike County and Quincy (Illinois) and from Alexandria to Wayland and Hannibal (Missouri) in case the giant levee holding the river should break.

One-third of Canton (Missouri) is already flooded.

Weather forecasters expect the Mississippi, which is rising by one tenth of a foot hourly, to

Asia And World Look To United States

Washington, June 7.

Two Asian Ambassadors expressed the view that Asia and the world are looking toward the United States for leadership in the post-war world.

The Indian Ambassador, Asaf Ali, added that Russia also has emerged with the United States in Indian opinion as destined for a decisive role.

He spoke with the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Wellington Koo, on the weekly radio programme, "Our Foreign Policy."

All said, "A very great deal depends on how these two 'giants' are going to adjust their relationship between themselves and to what extent they will be guided by the judgment of the United Nations. In any case the United States fills a role in the post-war world which can be of utmost importance in shaping human destiny."

The Indian Ambassador added, "The United States has been granted great abundance of material, scientific, political and moral resources. It would be only reasonable for any peace-loving people, who want an orderly settlement of the world's problems, to expect the United States to give a lead to the post-war world in the moral, economic and political fields. It is my firm conviction that India will not be found wanting in extending the fullest cooperation to the United States and other great powers of the world in all the free fields I have mentioned."

The Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Koo, said, "Not only China but I believe all Asia looks to this country to lead the world in striving together for advancing the cause of peace, freedom, justice and prosperity." The United States has today reached

almost an incomparable position of power, success and greatness in the family of nations. With this position goes inseparably the responsibility for leadership in the post-war world."

The two Ambassadors opined that their peoples believed in the purposes of the United Nations.

TODAY'S FUNNY STORY

Rome, June 7.

A letter, purportedly signed by an Italian "Zet" tourist, was sent to a Rome newspaper, today charged that British Intelligence agents used letter-bombs mailed to England as a "pretext" for increasing the difficulties of refugees in Italy.

The letter described the bombs as a "representation of the British Intelligence service which, after entering into a struggle against Hebraism with the most despicable means in all the world, cannot leave in peace the Hebrews and thousands of refugees who live in Italy." — United Press.

"Pravda" Attacks Laski

Moscow, June 8.

"Pravda," continuing its attacks on "Right-inclined" European social Democrats, pinned an "anti-Soviet" label today on Harold J. Laski, former chairman of the Labour Party, and on former Premier Blum of the French Socialists.

An article by Boris Ponomarev in the Communist Party paper said Laski has "appeared most actively in the field of anti-Soviet propaganda" and that Blum's book has a "thorough anti-Soviet character."

"Pravda" criticises Social Democrat behaviour in Britain, France, Belgium, Norway and Austria, where the "deciding word in determining the government's course belongs to the right-trend socialists."

Social Democrats who go hand in hand with the Reds, it said, follow a course "characterised by a struggle in the cause of peace, the establishment of friendly relations with the Soviet Union and a tendency to establish sound, peaceful forces."

Observers note with interest that Sweden and Finland are not included in the attack. — Associated Press.

reach its crest on Monday or Tuesday if there is no more rain. — United Press.

Truman Utters A Sombre Warning

Kansas City, Mo., June 7.

President Truman warned Americans in a speech here tonight that the disintegration of the United States military forces since the surrender of Germany and Japan was an "encouragement to nations to regard weakness on the part of peace loving nations as an invitation to aggression."

"If this happens," he said, addressing a reunion of the regiment in which he served in the first World War, "the countries whose peoples share our ideals and who look to us for leadership but who are weak in resources or manpower will lose faith in our ability to support the principles for which we stand."

The President recalled that "Hitler's eagerness for war increased as his estimate of the strength of the democracies decreased."

"Unpreparedness on the part of his opponents precipitated his decision to march into Poland in 1939. Japan struck at Pearl Harbor because she thought the United States was too weak to fight back. Hence we must maintain our army, navy and our air forces in effective readiness for any emergency."

"They should be organised in an efficient single military establishment and they should be supported by reserves of well-trained civilians."

Only Security
"The only security for the United States or for any other nation when the alternative to peace is death or destruction lies in the abolition of war."

"Our obligation as citizens of the strongest nation in the world is to lead the peoples of the earth towards the goal of lasting peace. Our hopes for peace, justice and international cooperation are embodied in the United Nations. We shall continue every effort to retain the ideal of internationalism which can banish war for all time."

"In supporting the United Nations, we must always sustain the principle on which world peace must rest. That principle is that people should have the right to live, free from fear of aggression under institutions of their own free choice." — Reuter.

Yesterday's Weather: Maximum: 85.6 deg. F. Minimum: 74.9 deg. F. Rainfall: 0.8 inch. Total since Jan. 1—79.6 mm. as against an average of 67.2 mm.

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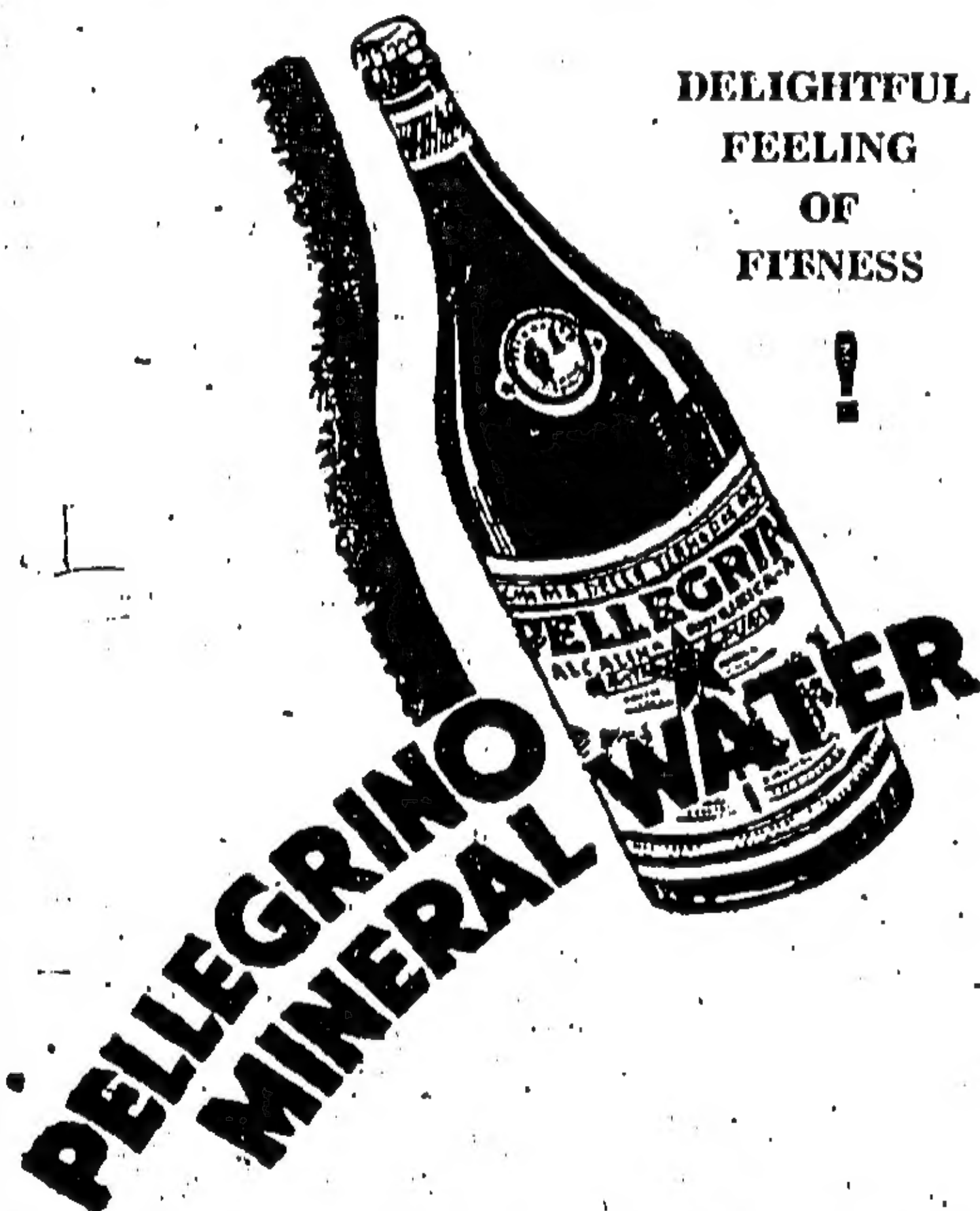
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June 9—H.K. & Whampoa Docks
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Hong Kong meeting, Cafe
Wiseman, 5.30 p.m.

Coming Events

June 10—Tee H. 8.30 p.m. "A
Family Night" at Talbot House,
50 Macdonnell Road.
June 12—Seventh Extra Race
Meeting.
June 12—King's Birthday Parade,
Happy Valley, 10.30 a.m.
June 16—H.K. & Whampoa Docks
annual meeting, noon.
June 26—Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold
Storage Co. Ltd. annual meet-
ing, 11 a.m.
June 27—Indo-China S.N. Co.
Ltd. annual general meeting
noon.

China's New Financial Policy

Nanking, June 8.
Premier Chang Chun was re-
ported today to have disclosed
the government's new financial
policy to minimize note issue
and relax the system of con-
trols to encourage free enter-
prise.

During the recent considera-
tion of measures to balance the
budget, various opinions were
submitted to the government
criticizing the heavy expenses
involved in the collection of
land taxes in kind.

Some critics said that \$7-
600,000,000 were spent on the
maintenance of collection agen-
cies leaving only a negligible
amount for the Treasury.

Suggestions were also made
to restore the old traditional
system of hiring contractors to
handle tax collection.

Other proposals included the
stripping of 100 wealthiest
Chinese of half of their for-
tunes by imposing "just for
once" a 50 percent tax on their
property.—United Press.

Threatening Letters

A new organization, styling
itself the "Five Dragons So-
ciety" and apparently bent on
following the footsteps of the
now notorious "Overseas Youth
Action Organization" has
sprung into the limelight by
selecting Sun Ma Sze Tsang,
one of the leading Cantonese
stage personalities to be the
recipient of its first threatening
letter.

Ma, who is now appearing
with the "Loong Poong"
(Dragon and Phoenix) troupe
at the Ko Shing Theatre, is
reported to have received a
threatening letter from the
"Five Dragons Society" de-
manding "a loan" of \$5,000.

The Ko Shing Theatre is also
reported to have received a
letter from the same society
for "a loan" of \$10,000.

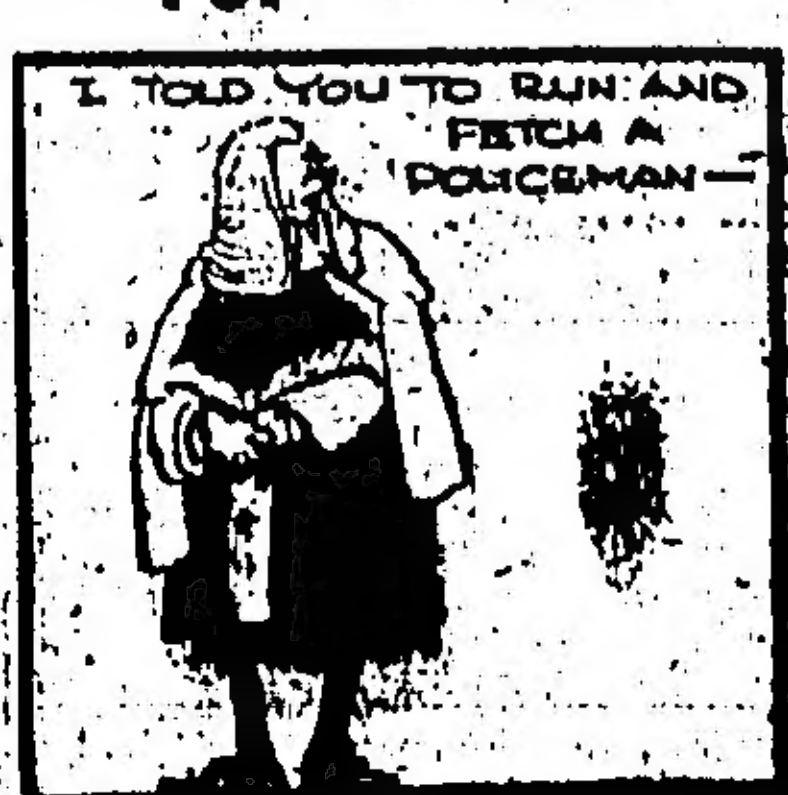
Apart from admitting that
certain threatening letters had
been received, the Police Au-
thorities, when approached by
the "China Mail" yesterday,
were not prepared to furnish
any additional information.

An armed robbery occurred in
the heart of the city at 7.35 last
night, when four men (one of
whom was armed with a revolver
and another with an automatic)
entered the premises of the Lee
On Watch Dealers, 134 Queen's
Road Central. They held up the
manager, Leung Hin-wah, and ten
folk, cleared the showcases of 112
watches, valued at \$8,800, and
escaped. The whole incident took
but a few minutes.

No further bodies were found
at 14 Reclamation Street, which
collapsed on Saturday night,
resulting in the death of four
persons. Only one fatality
occurred at the other collapse
that night, in Norfolk Road,
where the body of a woman was
found by the Fire Brigade early
yesterday morning.

Nanking, June 8.
China's Navy has decided to
set up a special office to handle
the taking over of Japanese war-
ships given to China as re-
parations, official sources dis-
closed today.—United Press.

POP



JAPANESE ARE PUTTING OUT TRADE FEELERS

(By Roy Macartney)

Singapore, June 5.
Singapore businessmen seeking to re-
establish contacts in Malaya and secure orders
include a request to the Singapore Chinese
Chamber of Commerce for a free copy of a
business directory of Singapore.

A flood of fulsome letters last week inundated
Singapore firms looking for business. The fol-
lowing are extracts from a letter from Mitsui
Bussan Kaisha Ltd., Tokyo:—

"Dear Sirs—More than a year
has elapsed since the doves of
peace came back with the eternal
spring after the many necessities
of catastrophe wrought by the
hapless war.

"Under the control of Allied
forces, a thorough-going reform
of New Japan is making its way
on the wheels of Democracy, and
the Japanese are ever desirous for
an early return of the days when
Japan shall be treated as a mem-
ber of the United Nations.

"Business circles here at large
are hoping with keen expectancy
for the earliest possible revival of
regular international trade
through which the utmost efforts
will no doubt be made on our part
for the smooth reciprocal flow of
various commodities between na-
tions; thereby contributing our
humble share for world prosperity
and the amelioration of the gen-
eral standard of living.

"In the absence, however, of
free international commerce,
though our activities are present-
ly limited to domestic trade, we
are all the time paying the way
for a reopening of our foreign
trade by encouraging the produc-
tion of exportable goods and ex-
tending the market for goods to
be imported.

"For the above-mentioned arti-
cles, we maintain good connec-
tions with many manufacturers of
high standing.

"Foreign trade of Japan is,
needless to say, now under the
control of the Allied Forces and
direct transactions are not as yet
allowed. Under the circumstances,
however, we shall feel deeply in-
debted to you, if you will kindly
keep us well-informed of the me-
chanisms you desire to import
from Japan as well as exportable
goods on your side, together with
your opinion as to the general
conditions to demand and supply
in your market, fashion, designs,
and other relevant matters, inas-
much as such information will positively
serve for furtherance of foreign
trade of this country.

"Lastly, you will exceedingly
oblige us by letting our messages
be known to your friends at
large."

Another Letter

F. Kanamitsu & Co., Ltd.,

wrote:—

"Dear Sirs—It gives us great
pleasure to announce that, after
a lapse of several years we are
now placed in a position to cor-
respond with our friends outside
Japan and exchange information
on the trade outlook preparatory
to the eventual resumption of nor-
mal trade relations.

"We have fortunately emerged
from the war almost intact ma-
terially and with little loss of per-
sonnel, and are carrying on busi-
ness as actively as before with-
out being handicapped by postwar
restrictions.

"At the present moment, Japan's
trade with other countries is
channeled through Beiki-Cho, the
official board of trade of the Im-
perial Japanese Government, un-
der the supervision of General
Headquarters of the Supreme
Commander for the Allied Powers
in Tokyo, and no individual firms
are permitted to transact freely
with parties abroad.

"However, inasmuch as our
Company is one of the officially
appointed agents acting for the
Beiki-Cho, we can put our trans-
actions through this channel.

Same Lines

"Our lines remain practically
the same as before the war, name-
ly, all kinds of raw textile ma-
terials, piece goods, yarns, and
made-up goods, grains and seeds,
agricultural and dairy products,
lumber, aquatic products, ma-
chineries and tools, porcelain and
chinawares, glasswares, chemical
products, sundries.

"We shall be greatly interested
to know the market conditions of
merchandise which used to be ex-
ported from your country to Japan
and also what lines of goods from
Japan will be the most prospec-
tive for your market, with full in-

Singapore, June 5.

formation explaining the kind,
type, design and demand of such
items, since these indications will
be highly useful to us when ap-
proaching the authorities for ex-
port permissions.

"Any assistance you can give
us in this connection will be
greatly appreciated and reciprocated
by us should you desire in-
formation on any subject at this
end.

"Looking forward to the re-
sumption of direct trade relations
with your esteemed firm at an
early date and hoping to hear
from you by return."

"Coldly Received"
The letters were coldly received
by the British-run Singapore
Chamber of Commerce but the
Chinese and Indian Chambers
seemingly resigned to the inevi-
table of the return of Japanese
trade.

Under a front page banner line
"Singapore Is Keen on Trade with
Japan" the Asiatic-owned "Ma-
laya Tribune" said that the return
of Japan to the list of suppliers
would "enliven the prospects of a
bright future."

The newspaper quotes a "well-
known Indian merchant" as saying
the American and British govern-
ments were responsible for the
present relatively high prices
of Japanese textiles on offer
in Singapore. He believed that left
alone, the Japanese "would know
what to do."—Reuter—A.A.P.

SHAI UTILITY RATES 'HIKED

Shanghai, June 8.
An increase in public utility
rates as from this month has
been approved by the Price
Control Committee. The in-
crease will be at an average of
100 per cent.

Increased rates are unavoid-
able due to the great losses
suffered by the public utility
companies, despite Government
subsidies. While the deficits of
the various public utility com-
panies amounted to more than
CN\$3,000,000,000,000, during
the month of May the Govern-
ment subsidy was only CN\$1-
660,000,000.—Central News.

China's Attitude To Russia

Nanking, June 8.
Further stiffening of the Chinese Government's
attitude toward the Soviets was noted by poli-
tical observers who believe the first unveiled
criticism ever made by a Government official
of the Russians for alleged support to the
Chinese Government may signal the beginning
of a press campaign against the Soviet lack of
cooperation.

The official Central News
which has studiously shunned
stories implicating Russia in
the civil war, recently quoted a
Foreign Office spokesman as
openly declaring that the Rus-
sian press is giving support to
"those elements in China seek-
ing to overthrow the govern-
ment by force."

Observers do not believe
China is about to give up her
"good neighbour" policy which
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Wang Shih-chieh time and
again advised China should fol-
low in her relations with the
Soviets in the interest of in-
ternational peace.

Huge Price

China, they say, has paid a
huge price for the signing of
the 30-year Sino-Soviet treaty
of amity and naturally will try
her best to hold this treaty in
the hope it may preserve what
little authority the Chinese gov-
ernment still has in the north-
east.

But the patience of the Chi-
nese people is wearing thin as
a result of repeated delays in
the restoration of China's
sovereign rights over Dairen
and Port Arthur, observers say.

Whatever reason the Soviets
may give for not having handed
the administration of these two
Manchurian ports back to China
is automatically rejected by the
Chinese who feel they have
lost the northeast for 15 years
and think they are justified in
wanting it back whole.

The clamor of members of
the Peoples Political Council
for abrogation of the Sino-
Soviet treaty is indicative of
the Chinese people's agitation
for the speedy recovery of
China's territory in its entirety.
—Associated Press.

Reds Say PPC Only A KMT Organ

Nanking, June 8.
The Communist radio
last night belatedly re-
jected the People's Poli-
tical Council invitation
asking Red delegates to
proceed to Nanking to
discuss peace.

The broadcast claimed that
the PPC is nothing but a Ku-
mintang organ.
It pointed out that while the
PPC appealed for peace on one
hand, it passed resolutions
favouring the Nationalist war
effort on the other.

Other Chinese press reports
quoted government officials as
saying that the Communist
broadcast was another rejec-
tion of peace offer and puts an-
other padlock on the door to
peace.—United Press.

Railway Improvement

Nanking, June 8.
Hung Shen, a Railway Ad-
ministration official, today out-
lined plans for improving the
Nanking-Shanghai railroad
which, he said, the Ministry of
Communication is expected to
act upon in the near future.

He said four methods are be-
ing explored for relieving con-
gestion: 1. double tracking the
entire line; 2. double tracking
sections of the line; 3. installing
a centralized traffic control
system; 4. improving the present
mechanized interlocking system
which was partly destroyed
during the war.

Hung said the lack of funds
is the biggest bottleneck of the
Communications Ministry's plans
to improve the railway but the
Ministry is expected to get an
appropriation from the \$500-
000,000 American loan, if it is
granted.

He said no progress has been
made thus far in the negotia-
tions for a French Finance
Syndicate loan to finance the
construction of the projected
Chengtu-Chungking railway.
—United Press.

BABY GIRLS BATTERED

Manitowish, Ohio, June 7.
Two baby girls were bat-
tered to death in a nursery
of the city hospital by an un-
identified assailant today.
They were Rosemary Mor-
ton, aged 9 weeks, and Diana
Brand, aged 8 weeks.
The motive was not known.
—Reuter.

and Port Arthur, observers say.

Whatever reason the Soviets
may give for not having handed
the administration of these two
Manchurian ports back to China
is automatically rejected by the
Chinese who feel they have
lost the northeast for 15 years
and think they are justified in
wanting it back whole.

The clamor of members of
the Peoples Political Council
for abrogation of the Sino-
Soviet treaty is indicative of
the Chinese people's agitation
for the speedy recovery of
China's territory in its entirety.
—Associated Press.

"ONLY THUS?"

Jerusalem, June 7.
Armored cars, Bren car-
riers and troops were today
rushed to the centre of Jeru-
salem after members of the
terrorist organization, had
thrown Zvi Lennu, Jewish
strong banners across several
main streets.
The banners bore the
legend "Judea"—a gun in
hand and the words "Only
thus."
Troops spent several hours
climbing over roofs to bring
down the banners.—Reuter.

Trans-Pacific Radio 'Phone

Nanking, June 8.
Radio-telephone communi-
cation between San Francisco
and Shanghai may be resumed
in July, according to a gov-
ernment Telegraphic Adminis-
tration spokesman.

The spokesman said that no
definite date for resumption
has yet been fixed because it de-
pends on the results of the test
now in progress. He said the
American Telephone and Tele-
graph Company is handling the
American end of the radio-tele-
phone communications.

The radio telephone link be-
tween San Francisco and
Shanghai was operated three
months before the outbreak of
the Sino-Japanese war. Pre-
war charges for using the net-
work were weekdays, US\$12
for three minutes plus US\$4 for
each additional minute; Sun-
days, US\$9 for three minutes
and US\$3 for each additional
minute.—United Press.

Chinese Officers For Trial

Nanking, June 7.
High-ranking Chinese
officers, including generals
who have been arrested
in Hankow, Hanyang
and Wuchang—scene of
the recent clashes be-
tween students and po-
lice, in which three stu-
dents were killed.

They will be tried by court-
martial for exceeding their or-
ders in suppressing riots. Dr.
Han Li-wu, Vice-Minister of
Education, stated tonight.

Dr. Han, who returned to
Nanking yesterday after a
special visit to Wuhan, said:
"The situation now is rapidly
improving. However strong and
insidious Communist agitation
may be, the Government will
beat it by moderation."

Meanwhile the Hsin Min-Pao,
independent newspaper, report-
ed that Marshal Chiang Kai-
shek, Premier Chang Chun and
other top-ranking officials have
sent wreaths to the students
killed in the incident.—Reuter.

Tomorrow's meeting of the
Rotary Club of Hong Kong will
take place as usual in the Glau-
cester Hotel at 12.30 p.m. There
will be a talk "My Experiences in
Java during the War" by Mr.
Leland Wang, President of the
Chinese Foreign Missionary
Union.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Seventh Extra Race Meeting

Thursday, 12th June, 1947

(POSTPONED FROM SATURDAY, 7TH JUNE 1947)

The First Bell will be rung at 2.30 p.m. and the first race
will be run at 3.00 p.m.

Through numbers 18 races—\$10 may be obtained at the
Office of the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, also
tickets for the Special Cash Sweep (\$2.00) on the Lantau
Handicap. The latter may also be purchased at the Branch
Office, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

SPECIAL CASH SWEEP ON LANTAU HANDICAP.
The Sale of Cash Sweep Tickets on the above will close at
11 a.m. on Thursday, 12th June 1947.

The DRAW will be held at the Race Course at 12.30 p.m.
on Thursday, 12th June 1947.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.
Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST
wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meet-
ing.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure
and Club Rooms at \$10 including tax are obtainable through
the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a
member, such member to be responsible for all chits etc.
Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on
sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurers' Commadore Office will close at 11 a.m.
and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st
floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club
House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1
Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.
The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 in-
cluding tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at
the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to
operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club
during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the
Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.
Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders
ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st Floor, Exchange
Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their
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BY ORDER,
S. A. SLEAP
Secretary.

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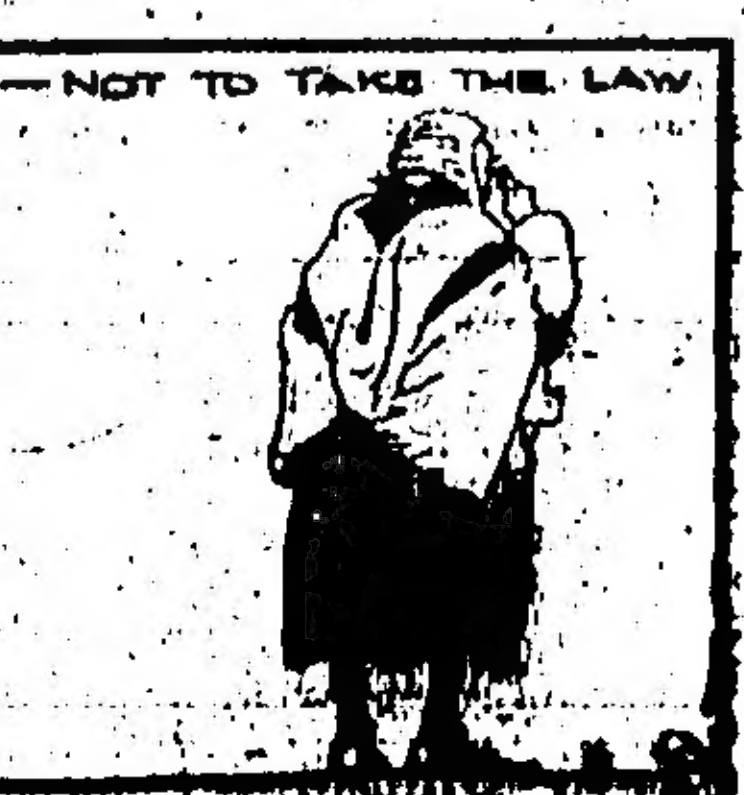
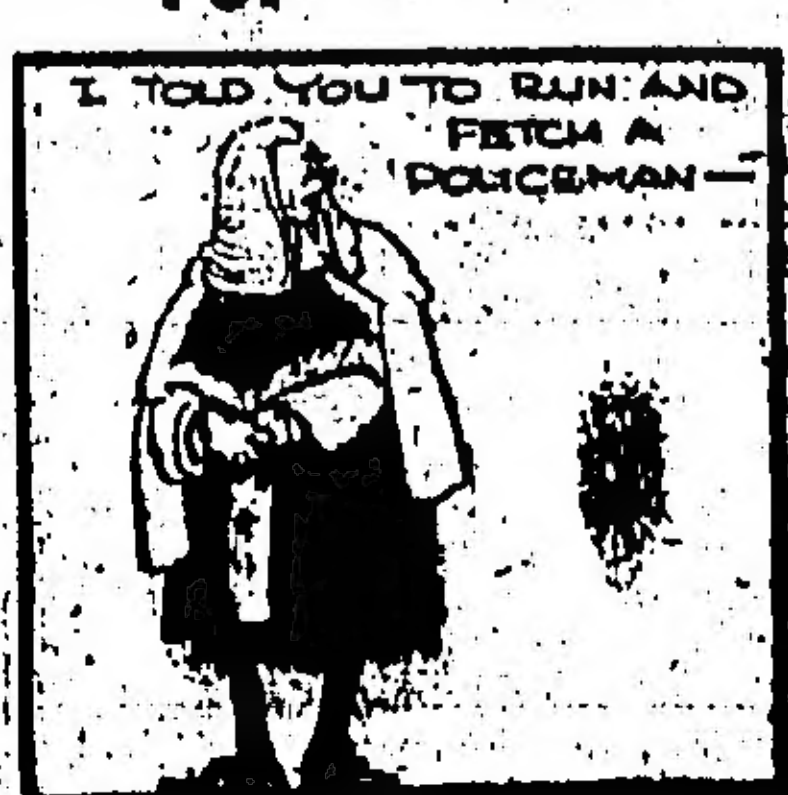
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"CYNICAL" ACT BY SOVIET

Leamington, June 7. An example of cynical interference by a Great Power in the affairs of a small neighbour was the description applied by Mr. Anthony Eden, the former Foreign Secretary, in a speech made here today, when he referred to the recent developments in Hungary.

In the absence of full information, however, it was impossible to pronounce a final judgment on the case, he said, but it seemed clear that it was a move designed to secure the establishment of a Communist controlled regime before the entry into force of the peace treaty and the ultimate withdrawal of the Soviet forces. Reuter.

Britons Stranded In France

Folkestone, June 8. Although warned not to go to France, 256 passengers, mostly British tourists, left Folkestone for Calais last night on the Cross-Channel steamer Isle of Thanet.

The boat train from London brought 270, and only 14 decided to stay on this side of the Channel. It is estimated that there must be at least 1,000 British tourists now delayed at Calais.

Scores of British tourists who crossed the Channel on Friday for continental holidays returned on Saturday because of the French rail strike.

The Channel steamer "Isle of Thanet" brought 150 passengers from Calais on Saturday. Normally on a Saturday she brings 800 or 900. The difference in numbers indicated that the rail strike left many tourists stranded in France. Associated Press.

SCIENTISTS TO HUNT THE MISSING LINK

Capetown, June 8. South Africa is to be the base from which a costly scientific expedition organised by the University of California and sponsored by General Smuts will set forth in July to spend one year in the remote regions of Africa probing for final proof that man is a descendant of the ape.

Led by Wendell Phillips, Field Director of the Museum of Paleontology of California University, the expedition will dig for skulls of the ape-like beings under five feet high who uttered near-human words, walked on their hind legs, used their hands for manipulating primitive tools, and lived in Southern Africa more than 75,000 years ago.

The American expedition is the climax to the investigations of 80-year-old Dr. Robert Broom, South Africa's internationally famous anthropologist. The first link in his new chain of evidence came 30 years ago when a human-like skull apparently of a fossil bushman child was discovered at Taung in Bechuanaland. Dr. Broom and other scientists considered it to be neither that of an ape nor of a human being, but of an intermediate type representative of the ape-like beings from which man has evolved. But the British authorities doubted the authenticity of this missing link.

New Secrets

In 1936, near Johannesburg, Dr. Broom found a fossil brain cast of an adult form allied to the Taung ape child. It was the size of a normal man, remarkably human in type, and contained beautifully preserved teeth, almost human in

Army Planes Used As Substitute

Paris, June 7. The railway strike spread rapidly to the most of France today. At railway headquarters, the stoppage was described as "total throughout the country."

Railway officials said: "Local traffic is functioning around some towns but every hour brings news of further stoppages." The only long-distance train to reach Paris up to this evening was the Amsterdam express.

The strikers have undertaken to see that food trains run, but arrivals in Paris have been slow and patchy. The shunting staff to handle this traffic have been reduced to a minimum.

Four hundred British tourists who were stranded in Calais last night, left today by motor coach, some for Paris and some for home. They slept in the train last night and railway officials brought the locomotive up to warm them.

Travel agencies in Paris were working overtime today to solve the problems that the strike had brought before them.

1,500,000 Held Up

An American company ran a special bus from Paris to Calais with passengers for England and made plans for special buses to Cherbourg for Atlantic liners if the strike continues.

Yesterday the company sent several planes to Marseille with passengers for the Greek ship Saron, under orders to sail for Athens.

Unofficial rail strike statistics tonight estimated that 1,500,000 travellers have been held up throughout France, including 800,000 Paris workers relying on local trains to take them to their jobs, 12,000,000 mailbags being lost daily through the strike.

The national railway system is losing 500,000,000 francs in receipts each day of the strike. Reuter.

"Iron Curtain"

France was in the grip of a virtual general rail strike today as 150,000 railroad men, refusing to heed Premier Paul Ramadier's appeal to return to work, closed down terminals throughout the country.

Paris, hub of the country's rail network lay behind a veritable iron curtain through which only

foodstuffs were allowed to pass. Throughout the day the city's great terminals were besieged by thousands of ill-tempered would-be travellers and vacationists who came in the vain hope that the strike might be settled.

The government mobilized several hundred army trucks which will be placed at the disposal of people stranded in Paris who have to return to their homes in the outskirts. Air France threw a special strike schedule into operation to maintain liaison between isolated cities. The government announced that the service would be boosted by the use of army planes.

As the authorities batted this situation a new threat loomed. The Public Utilities Federation threatened to strike unless the government gave them a number of advantages, including a "high cost of living bonus."

Cabinet Meeting

Such a strike would include gas, electricity, subways, buses and garbage disposal services.

Ramadier is to hold an extraordinary Cabinet meeting at 9 p.m. tonight when he will inform interested Ministers of the progress, if any, that had been made in today's negotiations.

Until a late hour this evening there were no signs that the government would back down from its "no work no negotiations" stand. For the moment the Rail Road Men's Federation showed no signs of backing down in its refusal.

Despite the grave situation which was costing the country millions in lost capital, there was no intimation that the government would have recourse to a requisitioning order which would place railroad workers under military orders and force them back to work. Reuter.

Emergency Plans

Paris, June 7. Emergency plans for provisional road and air transport to overcome the nationwide travel holdup, caused by the French railway strike, were announced tonight by M. Jules Moch, Socialist Transport Minister in a broadcast.

He said that from tomorrow, cars will link Paris with a number of big towns, including Calais and Le Havre.

Air transport would be increased to Marseille, Lyons and Bordeaux, and military and naval planes will carry civilians to Bordeaux, Toulouse, Rennes and Brest.

A special lorry service would carry urgently needed goods, the Minister said.

M. Moch reminded the country that already workers' salaries were almost doubled in 1945, that the total had been increased by 60 per cent since July, 1946 and that the Government was prepared to pay another 12,000 million francs (£27,000,000) for wage rises.

"This will bring the wages bill to 20 per cent more than at present," he stated.

Britain's Southern Railway announced today that the Newhaven-Dieppe services from London have been withdrawn until further notice and passengers on other services were advised not to travel.

In Paris, entrances to railway stations were jammed with travellers trying to leave the city. As the train was reported to have paid a taxi-driver half a million francs to drive him to Bordeaux, 300 miles away. Reuter.

Primitive Music

Besides searching cave deposits for further evidence of early man and his ancestors, American scientists will look for fossil reptiles and make an exhaustive study of primitive music and primitive peoples, including the bushmen of Kalahari and the pigmies of the Congo.

The expedition was planned after General Smuts had met leading anthropologists during his visit to America. He has accepted the honorary chairmanship of

FORKS PAS?

Sydney, June 7. The Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Australian Inventors Society, normally a decorous function, has just broken up in near confusion. One member demonstrated a patent fork which, when a button is pressed in the handle, pushes the food gently into the mouth.

The dinner was proceeding when after a loud click, the fork propelled a generous slice of sausage the length of the table. At the second try it flung a piece of potato on fellow diners; whereas the inventor, amidst laughter, requested a normal fork. Our Own Correspondent.

Burmese Independence Demand

Rangoon, June 8. An informed source said yesterday that the Governor's Executive Council has reaffirmed the Burma demand for complete independence from Great Britain.

When the British plan for India was announced and the Indian leaders accepted at least temporary dominion status, the Burmese Cabinet was reported to have discussed and reviewed Burma's demand in view of the neighbouring state's decision.

A mass rally was called for June 10 to reiterate the independence demands.

Meanwhile some 300 members of the Burma police force have planned to leave today for Akyat to join the military and civil forces engaged in fighting a revolutionary movement in the Arakan. Associated Press.

Surprise Landing At Tengah

Singapore, June 7. The famous Dutch pilot, Captain D. K. Parmentier, Operations manager of the K.L.M. Netherlands Airlines, surprised aviation officials at Singapore here this afternoon when he landed a Constellation Nijmegen at the Royal Air Force airfield at Tengah, 14 miles north of Singapore, on a survey flight from Amsterdam to Batavia.

Tengah, which will shortly be completed, will be the only Singapore airfield capable of taking Constellation aircraft until the Changi airfield is finished in about two years time.

It is understood that Australian Constellation planes from the Qantas Company, when they begin their service to England at the end of the year, will use Tengah until Changi is ready but the same facilities have thus far not been extended to the Dutch.

RAF officials advised Parmentier before taking off from Bangkok this morning that he should take on enough petrol to make Batavia in one hop as Tengah was not ready.

While in flight, the aircraft signalled that its petrol safety margin was rather fine and requested permission to land at Tengah. The RAF hurriedly cleared equipment from the strip to enable the plane to land.

Besides owing the first Constellation to test out Tengah, the K.L.M. hope to be the first to inaugurate a Constellation service to the Far East.

Mr. Plesman, K.L.M. President, who is one of the passengers on the Nijmegen, said that he hoped a Constellation service would be operating by the first week in October. The K.L.M. have planned seven services weekly from Amsterdam to Batavia via Cairo, Baghdad, Karachi, Bangkok and Singapore in 72 hours, with one ser-

vice weekly continuing to Sydney. He hoped that facilities at Tengah airfield, which both he and Parmentier considered "perfect," would be available to the K.L.M. Reuter.

Gun Duel On Sumatra Coast

Singapore, June 7. Merchant Navy officer A. Martin of Perth, Australia, described a gun duel today between a Dutch light naval craft and an Indonesian shore battery, which he said he had witnessed at Sibolga, northwestern Sumatra, on May 11.

The Dutch warship had intercepted a Chinese chartered ship in which he was serving as first officer at Sibolga, where it was unloading what the Dutch described as an "illegal" cargo of motor tyres, cloth and fuel oil from Singapore, Martin said.

An Indonesian shore gun opened fire and scored a direct hit on the Dutch ship's engine room, wounding a Dutch engineer.

The Dutch retaliated with heavy and automatic guns, bombarding the Indonesian port for over an hour until columns of smoke rose 100 feet into the air, Martin said.

Chinese attempts to run the Dutch "blockade" of Indonesia were contributing to bloodshed there, he added. Reuter.

EXECUTIONS IN SALONIKA

Athens, June 7. Accused of taking part in a plot to separate Macedonia from Greece, eight Macedonian civilians were sentenced to death by a military court and were shot in Salonika today.

It had been alleged that they were members of the Slav terrorist organisation, "Okrana". Reuter.

Malaya Aids Ceylon

Singapore, June 7. Several million clonal seeds from Malaya are to be flown to Ceylon in an aircraft, owned by the Ceylon Government to rehabilitate the rubber industry on the island.

This follows the recent visit of a two-man rubber inquiry commission from Ceylon.

The despatch of a large consignment has already been begun.

The Malayan rubber industry during 1947 is expected to bring into the country \$600,000,000, states the "Malayan Observer," published today by the Malayan Union Government. Reuter.

CONCENTRATION CAMP BREAK

Athens, June 7. The harbour authorities at Piraeus, port of Athens, have been warned to look out for six Bulgarian political refugees said to have escaped in a boat from a concentration camp on the island of Syra of southeastern Greece.

The refugees are believed to be sailing towards the Turkish coast. The harbour authorities at Piraeus have ordered all other Greek ports to keep a watch for the boat. Reuter.

Coming Soon to the KING'S CHARLES DICKENS "GREAT EXPECTATIONS"

Bulgarian Frontier Dementi

Sofia, June 7. The Bulgarian News Agency states that it has been authorised to deny reports attributed to the Greek News Agency about threats said to have been made by Bulgarian frontier guards to the United Nations sub-commission inquiring into guerrilla warfare in Greek frontier areas.

The Agency described as completely false the report that the Bulgarian frontier authorities had threatened to open fire on the sub-commission and added that exchanges between the sub-commission and the Bulgarian frontier authorities had been conducted with all the rules of international courtesy.

Not one incident of the sort described by the Greek Agency had taken place, the Bulgarian Agency said, along the whole of the Greek-Bulgarian frontier. Reuter.

Still Puts Young Men In Business

London, June 7. Sir Thomas White is still putting young men into business—nearly 400 years after his death.

Lord Mayor of London in 1953, Sir Thomas was a wealthy merchant who derived much of his revenue from the cities of Nottingham, Coventry, Leicester, Warwick and Northampton.

Thus in his will he decreed that "any young man of good character" residing in those places should be allowed a loan of up to £200 without interest to start a business.

About £10,000 a year is available but for several years before the war there were no applications. New returning ex-Servicemen are deluging the offices of trustees of the charity. United Press.

"Horrible" Colonial Conditions

Prague, June 7. The shocking and even horrible conditions existing for colonial labour in Africa were noted with regret, said yesterday's report of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the World Federation of Trade Unions.

The majority of African territories in which these conditions prevail, said the report, are under British, French and Belgian administration, who have large and influential trade unions.

The Executive Committee decided to urge these unions and also the World Federation of Trade Unions to impress upon the respective Governments the necessity for alleviating present conditions in colonial territories and to grant coloured workers social and economic rights and aid. Reuter.

ENVOY RESIGNS

Rio de Janeiro, June 7. It is understood here that the United States Ambassador, Mr. William Pawley, has written to President Truman, resigning his post. Reuter.

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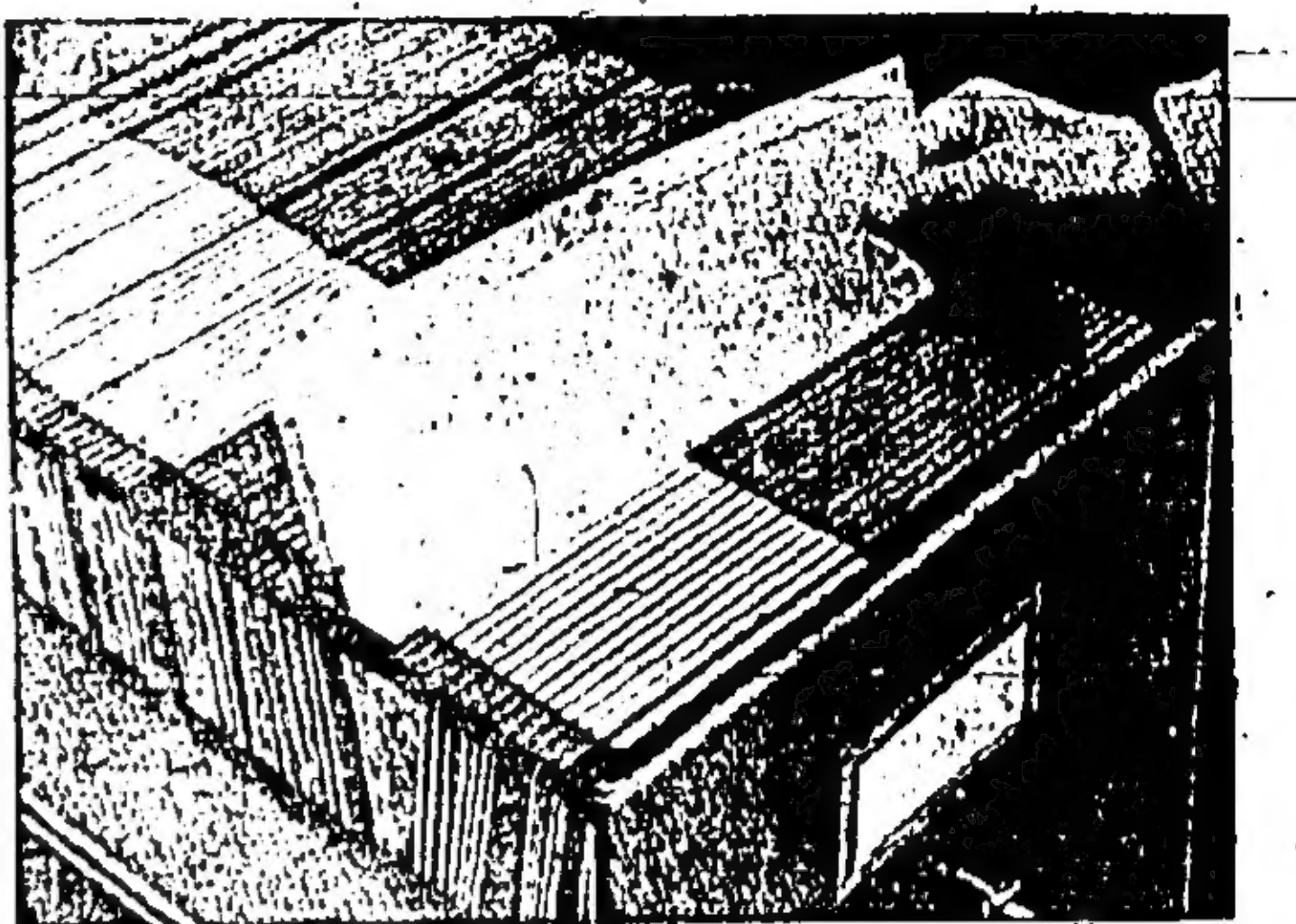
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p.m. and 4.00 p.m.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS OF JOAO
PURIFICACAO GUTIERREZ
late of No. 33, Robinson Road,
Victoria in the Colony of
Hong Kong, Retired Clerk,
deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that the Court has by
virtue of Section 58 of the Pro-
bate Ordinance 1897 made an
Order limiting the time for
creditors and others to send
their claims against the above
estate to the 21st day of June
1947.

All creditors and others are
hereby requested to send in
their claims to the undersigned
on or before that date.

Dated the 2nd day of June 1947.
BRUTTON & CO.,
Solicitors for the Administrator,
Windsor House, Hong Kong.

SPECIAL NOTICE

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF HONG KONG

Beginners and members in-
terested are requested to meet
at 5.30 p.m. on Monday 9th
Inst. at the Cafe Wiseman, to
discuss programme for the
forthcoming season.

R. A. BATES,
Hon. Secretary.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that
an Extraordinary General Meet-
ing of the Company will be
held at 18 Pedder Street (1st
floor) Hong Kong on MONDAY
the NINTH day of JUNE,
1947, at NOON, for the pur-
pose of proposing and if
thought fit passing the sub-
joined resolutions as a special
resolution, viz:-

That the Articles of Associa-
tion be altered in the manner
following:-

(a) Article 17 shall be can-
celled.

(b) In the third line of
Article 71 the word "two"
shall be substituted for the
word "three"

(c) The following Article shall
be substituted for Article
76:- "76. Subject to any
special terms as to voting
upon which any shares of
the Company may have
been issued or may for
the time being be held,
upon a show of hands
every member present in
person shall have one
vote, and upon a poll
every member present in
person or by proxy shall
have one vote for every
share held by him."

By Order of the Board,

R. G. CRAIG,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong,
Dated this Ninth day of May,
1947.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that the ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS will be held
in the Board Room of Messrs.
Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
14 & 16, Pedder Street, Hong
Kong, on Monday, 16th, June
1947, at noon for the following
purposes:-

1. To receive and consider the
Statement of Accounts and
Balance Sheet and the Re-
port of the Directors and
Auditors thereon.
2. To elect Directors.
3. To appoint Auditors and fix
their remuneration.
4. To transact any other ordi-
nary business of the Com-
pany.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY
GIVEN that the TRANSFER
BOOKS of the COMPANY will
be closed from the 2nd, June
1947 to the 16th, June 1947,
both days inclusive.

By order
of the Board of Directors.

R. G. CRAIG,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 8th, May, 1947.

NOTICE

CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY, LTD.

REDUCTION OF CHARGES

As foreshadowed by the
Chairman in his Speech at the
Annual General Meeting on the
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ject to the further following
reductions:-

Lighting from 64 cents to 49
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cents per unit.

Proportionate reductions will
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and power supplies in the New
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will be charged for current con-
sumed during the month of
July 1947.

Bulk Supply Consumers are
being notified direct of the de-
crease affecting their agree-
ments with this Company for
the supply of current.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
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P. W. A. WOOD,

Secretary & Chief Accountant.

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- (2) on change of ownership;
- (3) once monthly.

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every commercial motor vehicle
shall give such police officer all
reasonable facilities for in-
specting the vehicle and shall
comply with his reasonable re-
quirements.

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road, except for purposes of re-
pair or test, until it has been re-
examined and passed fit by an
inspecting officer."

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operating in Hong Kong Island
to Traffic Office, Central Police
Station, and for vehicles operat-
ing in Kowloon to Traffic Office,
Magistracy, Kowloon.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

DEPARTMENT OF IMPORTS & EXPORTS

NOTICE

This department will be closed
on Thursday, the 12th of
June, 1947 for all purposes ex-
cept for entry and clearance of
ships' manifests between 9 a.m.
and 10 a.m.

E. HIMSWORTH,
Superintendent,
Imports and Exports.

Hong Kong, 3rd June, 1947.

CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION.

The above Examination will
be held in Hong Kong on Mon-
day, 1st December, 1947. Entry
forms can be obtained at the
Education Office, 3rd floor,
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should be completed and re-
turned with the fee \$48 on or
before 27th June, 1947.

T. R. ROWELL,
Director of Education.
Hong Kong, 2nd June, 1947.

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Floor, on Thursday 26th June,
1947, at 11 a.m. for the pur-
pose of receiving the Report of
the Directors together with
Statement of Accounts for the
year ended 31st December,
1946; to sanction the declara-
tion of a Dividend and Bonus
and to re-elect Directors and
Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
12th to 26th June, 1947, both
days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
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J. D. THOMSON,
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Hong Kong, 2nd June, 1947.

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Federal Centre For India?

New Delhi, June 7.
The union and provincial con-
stitution committees of the In-
dian Constituent Assembly are
believed here tonight to have
decided at a joint meeting to-
day that the future constitu-
tion of India should provide
for a strong federal centre with
residual powers.

That would not affect the
position of the Indian states
which have already joined the
Constituent Assembly and those
which are expected to join in
the near future.

It is understood that insofar
as the states are concerned,
their relations with the centre
would be on the basis of the
Cabinet Mission's plan—namely,
they would surrender to the
centre only the three subjects
of foreign affairs, defence and
communications.—Reuter.

Best Thing

New Delhi, June 7.
Mohandas K. Gandhi, at his
prayer meeting this evening,
said that while the All-India
Congress Committee could re-
fuse to ratify its Working Com-
mittee's acceptance of the Brit-
ish plan, the best thing it
could do under the circum-
stances was to endorse the ac-
ceptance.

Gandhi said that Congress
must represent the interests of
every Indian.

"It cannot overlook the
wishes of the Muslims by say-
ing that they are for the Mos-
lem League and opposed to
Congress."

Earlier today, Gandhi said
that though he did not like ac-
cepting the British plan, he had
done so because "there are so
many things one has to accept
or tolerate, things to which
one is opposed."—Reuter.

To Resign

New Delhi, June 7.
It was learned reliably to-
night that Viceroy Vincent
Mountbatten has called for the
resignation of all members of
the present interim cabinet,
as soon as the plan for parti-
cipation comes into effect.

It was also learned that
Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and
his colleagues will attend ne-
gotiations early next week to en-
able the central cabinet to be
divided into two cabinets for
the Pakistan and Hindustan
areas before the end of June.

The action will reduce the
present central cabinet to the
position of a caretaker govern-
ment.

At the same time it was
learned that neither Nehru nor
Mohammed Ali Jinnah is ex-
pected to serve on the "Super
Committee" to deal with the
division of India's liabilities
and national assets. Dr. Rajen-
dra Prasad was expected to be
appointed in Nehru's place.—
United Press.

Mrs. Roosevelt Urges Caution

New York, June 7.
Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, in
her daily column today, urged
more caution in dealing with
the Hungarian coup. Alluding
obviously to Sen. Vandenberg,
she wrote: "I wish that he
might be a little more tem-
perate, even in speeches made
in the Senate."

"I think it is quite correct
to ask the United Nations to
make an investigation into
whether any nation used undue
influence over the political ac-
tions of another nation, parti-
cularly when there is an oc-
cupation army in the smaller
nation."—United Press.

RUSSIAN KILLS AMERICAN

Frankfurt, June 8.
An American soldier was shot
to death today by a Russian who
had crossed into the American
zone illegally. The Russian then
committed suicide.—Associated
Press.

ENVOY ACCUSED

Budapest, June 7.
The Foreign office today ac-
cused Ferenc Gordon, resigned
Hungarian Minister to Bern,
of "stealing monies and all dip-
lomatic documents of the Bern
Legation" before leaving the
post.—United Press.

GERMAN DEMANDS TO ALLIES

Bold Requests By State Premiers

Unthinkable Six Months Ago

Munich, June 7.
Two years after the war, Germany, represented
by a conference of democratically-elected
State Premiers, formulated yesterday a series
of demands for presentation to the victor
powers which were remarkable alike for their
boldness and comprehensiveness.

The demands were contained in resolutions drawn
up at a conference of Premiers of the British,
United States and French zones. The Russian
delegates left before the conference opened
because it was ruled that the question of Ger-
man political unity should not be discussed.

The problem covered by the
resolutions include food, the
coal industry, denazification
and relations between the oc-
cupying powers with special re-
ference to international com-
munications while promising
the greatest efforts to mobilise
German resources to remedy
German distress and restore
the economic life of the coun-
try.

The resolutions made out-
spoken demands on the Allies
which would have been un-
thinkable even six months ago.

The conference also un-
doubtedly hoped that German
opinion would be favourably
impressed by the resolutions
and therefore not be unduly
disturbed by the walk-out of
the Premiers from the Russian
zone.

This has already had the ef-
fect of reviving war rumours
which recur periodically upon
any provocation.

Although the public was
sceptical of the value of the
eastern zone's Premiers' parti-
cipation in the conference, their
abrupt departure was generally
interpreted as marking its fail-
ure.

The delegates, however, used
the opportunity to present the
boldest demands to the Allies.

Apple Of Discord
It should not be overlooked
that internal politics have played
an important part in the
drafting of the resolutions and
that the conference is anxious
to make a good showing in
view of the vehement campaign

"NOMINAL MONARCHY" IN SPAIN

Madrid, June 7.
The Corporate Chamber of Spain tonight approv-
ed the "Succession Law," making Spain a no-
minal monarchy, with General Franco as head
of the state. The law was approved in the
Chamber by acclamation.

In a speech defending the
succession law the Corporate
Chamber's President, Senor
Esteban Bilbao, who is a veteran
monarchist of Carlist tendencies,
said: "If a monarch must re-
tain, he must preserve a sense
of continuity of the regime and
must come as a guarantee of
order in the land, when national
circumstances make such a
change advisable."

Senor Bilbao continued:
"Kings are made for their peo-
ples. It is not people who are
made for their kings. Neither
hate nor passion could make a
single line in this law."

Reply To Juan
"The Chamber proposes a
peace-loving regime which shall
be guaranteed as far as pos-
sible against the danger of re-
volution."

In an obvious reply to Don
Juan's statement that he would
only accept unconditional powers
from General Franco, Senor
Bilbao told the Chamber: "The
word 'unconditional' cannot be
used regarding the transfer of
powers because that is the lan-
guage used by absolute
monarchs."

Senor Bilbao further told the
Chamber: "Spain has no other
chief than General Franco and
the monarchy will have to re-
turn in agreement with General
Franco or it will not return."
The Chamber President was
the only speaker on the motion.
When he finished speaking, he
asked: "Does the House approve
the law?"

A Referendum
The members rose to their
feet, shouting "Si" (Yes) and
broke into cheers for General
Franco, which lasted some
minutes.
Don Juan's supporters in
Madrid issued a statement to-
night saying that the Monar-
chists did not recognise the new
law.
In Government circles it was
confidently expected that Gen-
eral Franco will submit the suc-

INDIA TALKS

New Delhi, June 7.
Lord Mountbatten's talks
with India's "Big Seven"
political leaders on the ways
and means of putting into
effect the British plan for In-
dia are going "very satisfac-
torily."

No communiques were issued
after today's two-hour ses-
sion but it is believed that the
plans were discussed under a
committee composed of an
equal number of Muslims and
Hindus.

The Viceroy is expected to
accept an invitation to go to
Kashmir for a brief holiday,
about the middle of this
month.—Reuter.

The apple of discord in Europe,
and the scene of fruitful con-
flicts between the East and the
West," he said.

"We want to bind, not to
separate, we want to be the
centre of peace in the heart of
Europe, and the centre of
security, justice and humanity."

—Reuter.

Tribesmen Killed In Morocco

Rabat, June 8.
The Communist newspaper
"Petit Marocain" reported to-
day that tribesmen were killed
when French non-commissioned
officers opened fire on a tribal
demonstration at Khenifra in
southern Morocco near the
Atlas mountains.

The newspaper said that
Moslem troops refused to fire
on the demonstration, which was
non-political.

The tribesmen were said to
be demonstrating against the
new-Kaid (Governor), who,
they alleged, had used materials
bought by them for a new
mosque to build himself a
house on the site of the propo-
sed mosque.

The newspaper said that a
delegation of tribesmen, after
complaining to the French Re-
gional Controller, stabbed two
of their number who sided with
the "Kaid". The Controller and
the "Kaid" then took refuge
with the local garrison.—Reuter.

NEW GROMYKO PROPOSALS

Lake Success, June 7.
Hope that the present dead-
lock on the question of interna-
tional atomic energy control
may be partially broken was
renewed today after an an-
nouncement by M. Andrei
Gromyko that he had "new pro-
posals" to make to the Atomic
Energy Commission.

The Commission is to meet
on Wednesday.
The present position is that
while Russia will accept limited
acceptance of an international
atomic control agency, the United
States is holding out for full
control and management of
national atomic plants by the in-
ternational authority.—Reuter.

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CRISIS IN BRITISH POLICY

Opposition To Soviet Policy In Europe

Key-Note Of U.S. Protest Note

Hungary To Be The Crucial Test?

London, June 7. The United States draft note to Hungary, which is still being studied in the Foreign Office, has forced a crisis in British policy towards central and eastern Europe as a whole.

Soviet influence on this area appears to have entered a new phase with the complete reconstruction of the Hungarian Government, the arrest of the Hungarian opposition leader, Nikola Petkov, of the Yugoslav opposition leader Yovanovich and of many members of the opposition parties in Rumania.

Indications are that the American Government does not plan to deny formal recognition to the new regime, "Renter."

Initial Steps

London, June 7. British sources said today that reports reaching Whitehall indicated that current events in Hungary and Bulgaria are the "initial steps in the Soviet drive to consolidate the Balkans."

Utmost secrecy is being maintained over diplomatic counter-attacks which the Foreign Office "brain trust" is perfecting.

British diplomatic sources are convinced that Russia blockades Austria's treaty in Moscow in order to safeguard this legal excuse for retaining controls in Hungary and Rumania even after the Balkan treaties become effective.

There is a growing British conviction that the United States may have acted too hastily in voting the threat to bring the Hungarian situation before the United Nations, United Press.

Plot "Confession"

London, June 7. British official sources today said they doubted the existence of an organized and politically active Hungarian "emigre army" in the British Zone of Austria as

M. Nagy's Version

Geneva, June 7. In an eight-page written statement to the press today, Ferenc Nagy gave a chronological account of developments leading up to his recent resignation while he was on vacation in Switzerland.

Nagy stressed he had refused to submit his letter of resignation until the Hungarian Government sent his small son Imre to Switzerland. He charged the official Hungarian news agency announced his resignation before he had handed it in officially.

Nagy's statement, in denying the accusations that he participated in the conspiracy, pointed out his active role as resistance leader in fighting the Hungarian Republic. He said "If there was a conspiracy it was not by me but against me."

He also denied reports that his daughter Julia, who came to Switzerland several months ago, had married Kolomon Salanta who fled from Hungary after he was implicated in the conspiracy disclosed at the end of last year.

Nagy's statement said on May 20 "my secretary told me that Lieutenant General Sviridov had

replied to my request for the release of Bela Kovacs, former secretary of my party, held in military custody by the Russians. Sviridov refused this request and enclosed a record of Kovacs's interrogation in which some points compromise me."

The former Hungarian Minister reported that on May 29 he telephoned President Zoltan Tildy and asked him what was going on at home. Tildy requested me to return immediately as matters could still be arranged. I assured him that I would come without delay and that all accusations directed against me, whatever they contained, were unfounded.—United Press.

South Africa To Support Jewish Case

Johannesburg, June 8. The political correspondent of the "Sunday Express" reported that Premier Jan Christian Smuts had instructed the Union of South Africa's UNO delegate, T. Andrews, to support the Jewish case in Palestine.

He said Smuts told Andrews to advocate settlement of the Palestine issue in favour of the Jews even if it meant conflicting with the Anglo-American attitude at the next regular session of the UNO in September. The South African Government also feels, he said, that active steps should be taken to rehabilitate displaced Jews in Europe.—Associated Press.

DEATH OF SGT. HANNAH, VC.

Leicester, June 7. Mr. John Hannah, the youngest RAF man to gain the Victoria Cross, Britain's highest military decoration, died near here today of tuberculosis.

He won The Cross in September 1940, when he was 18, for single-handedly putting out a fire in a blazing bomber with thousands of rounds of ammunition exploding around him.—Renter.

alleged in the purported confession of Bela Kovacs.

One official said the "only Hungarian troops in our Zone are units which we have unsuccessfully sought to repatriate to Hungary. Such repatriations have been blocked by Russia."

Meanwhile, Foreign Office sources said the "Confession" to a plot against the Hungarian Government and the Russians issued in Budapest today in no way fulfilled the Anglo-American demands for documentary proof of such a conspiracy.

The Foreign Office spokesman said the British request, similar to the one by the United States for proof of the Russian allegations, that a plot caused the Soviet coup in Hungary, did not concern the purported confession alone. Russia is obligated to fill the request under the terms of the Allied Control Council agreement which was drafted largely by the Soviet representative, the spokesman said.

Meanwhile, Premier Petru Groza of Rumania arrived in Yugoslavia today to see Marshal Tito in another move strengthening the interlocked relations among the Soviet-influenced Balkan countries.

Lieutenant General V. P. Sviridov, Soviet commander in Hungary, is also understood to have visited Belgrade within the past two days. The connection, if any, between his and Groza's visits is not clear.—United Press.

Portuguese Industrialist Charged

Lisbon, June 8. Another leading Portuguese industrialist was jailed on charges of crimes against the national economy.

The arrest of Antonio Lourenco Alves, partner and managing director of the Companhia Lactificas de Arrentella, brought to 13 the number of financiers and businessmen awaiting trial.

Their activities, still being investigated by the police, are concerned with hoarding and profiteering. Alves was charged with having distributed woollen cloth at prices exceeding the official prices. He claimed the cloth was produced from a higher grade material than that on which the official price is based.—Associated Press.

FOURTH TIME LUCKY

New York, June 7. The Transworld Airways plane taking the Secretariat members of the United Nations Palestine Commission to Lydda, Palestine, left La Guardia Airport, New York, at 3.30 p.m. today after being forced back on three previous attempts as a result of mechanical trouble.

Among the passengers were Moshe Shertok, member of the Executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine.—Renter.

L.S. M.F.T.!

Tsingtau, June 8. Chinese press reports said today that the United States naval authorities and the Chinese police yesterday jointly arrested a large blackmarketing gang, including an undisclosed number of American servicemen for the theft of 90 cases of Lucky Strike cigarettes and 91 cases of canned goods.—United Press.

Nanking, June 8. The spokesman of the Ministry of Finance announced today that the government has decided to postpone indefinitely the floating of short-term interest treasury notes.—United Press.

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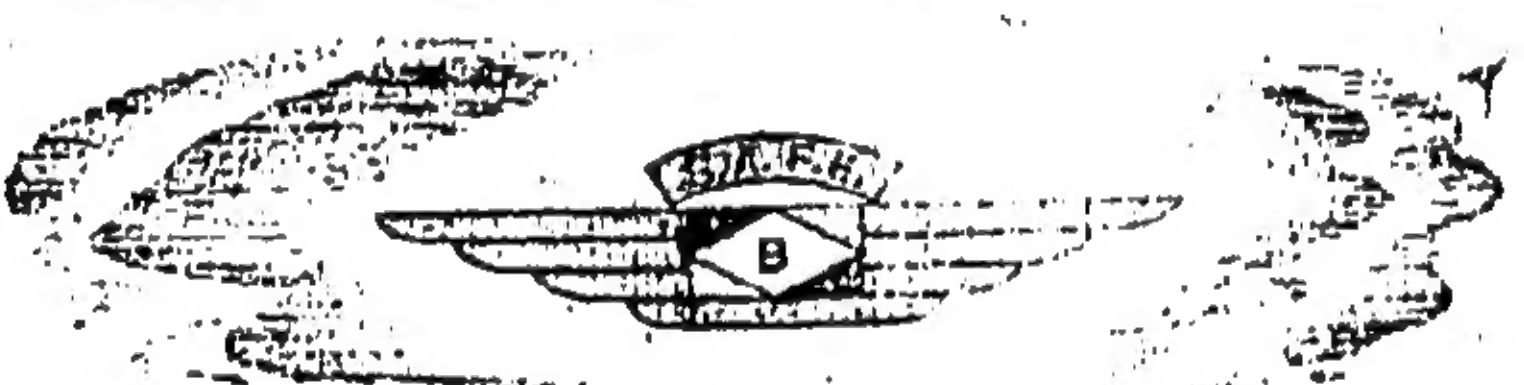
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GENERAL MARSHALL'S ADVANTAGES

Secretary of State George C. Marshall has three advantages in negotiating with the Russians, as compared with his predecessor, James F. Byrnes. First of all, though he lacks the subtlety and experience of Mr. Byrnes, he is built on an altogether larger scale. The other two advantages are the fruit of time.

The last six months have seen two immense developments in American public opinion. The first of these is that the people of the United States have definitely made up their minds on the Russian issue. There is no one waiting to strike General Marshall in the back as Mr. A. Wallace sought to do in the case of Mr. Byrnes. In this sense, Mr. Wallace's speeches have cleared the air and permitted a healthy and overwhelming concentration of public opinion behind the policy of "patience and firmness." The greatest weakness of democratic countries is that their leaders, even when they know what ought to be done, often dare not do it because of a confused state of public opinion. But on this issue there can be no doubt. The latest Gallup Poll shows that only 5 per cent of the nation considers that the United States has gone too far in opposing Russian aims. The second improvement in American public opinion from which General Marshall can profit has not yet been entirely achieved but is in the process of rapid crystallization. For some time now, Americans have realized that their country is overwhelmingly the strongest power in the world. But many observers have wondered whether the American people were willing that their leaders should accept the responsibilities which accompany such power. All trends incline towards an affirmative answer. While it is open to an Englishman to regret that the British Government should have abdicated from the leadership that once was Britain's it is encouraging to know that the United States is increasingly ready, however late in the day, to accept the leadership of all free men and women everywhere.

General Marshall shows that he is a good politician as well as a good diplomat by the note of caution and even of pessimism that he strikes. Nothing is more mischievous and foolish than the activities of those public men who seek to delude and titillate the public with extravagant ideas of the results likely to be obtained at an international conference. It is far better, as General Marshall has done, to strike a sombre note. Then, if everything goes badly, no one can complain that they were deceived by false hopes. If, on the other hand, genuine success should be obtained, the public, not having expected it, will applaud it all the more.

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Paris, June 7. The French Government has proposed to Abd El Krim, former Moroccan leader now in Cairo, that his mother's remains be either buried in the Muslim cemetery attached to the Palais Mosque or transferred to Cairo.

Abd El Krim left a coffin behind him at Port Said when he unexpectedly landed there last week from the ship which was taking him to France, after 21 years of exile on Reunion Island in the Indian Ocean.

Before she died, his mother asked to be buried in the Rif hills of her native Morocco—the scene of her son's battles with the French and Spanish armies from 1921 to 1926.

A HONG KONG LETTER FROM THE PAST

A "letter from the past," in which Hong Kong is described as being "now a large town of 10,000 Chinese and 200 English, besides the troops 2,000 strong and shipping," is published in the "North China Daily News."

The letter is in the possession of Mr. E. H. Spence, an old member of the Shanghai community, and was written by his great-grandfather, Mr. Patrick Chalmers, who sailed for China 103 years ago in a China clipper.

The race was not on apparently in the outward trip, for Chalmers took a matter of four months to reach China. The Suez Canal had not been cut and his route took him along the South American coast, then past the Cape of Good Hope, round by Singapore, and thence to Hongkong and Canton.

The long voyage passed as long voyages did in those days with not a great deal to do save to strain every effort to escape boredom.

How The Days Were Filled

"Reading has, of course, been my chief occupation, and my Chinese at times, for I don't take too much credit as having studied much, then, then studying the decks in confabulation with the mates, getting hungry, eating, drinking, and not a little of doing nothing at all—has served to fill up my days.

"In the evenings we have whilst the captain, the doctor and myself, the captain and I taking turns, alternately. At sea as on shore, I may mention, we pass the night in sleep— and thus I have endeavored to account for the 24 hours with little variation.

"The virtual department has been on rather a shabby scale, the captain as I find, being a confounded screw, and saves every sixpence he can in his meals and liquors, though there is no want on board, but he can sell his surplus to great advantage in China, and so we are scrupled of all really worth having. But all has gone agreeably, and I have not heard since an angry word on board— he is a pleasant enough man on the whole, only requiring his way humoured a little."

The rest of the letter relates the writer's impressions of China. It reads:—

Canton, Sept. 22, 1844. "We arrived at Hong Kong on the 16th inst. after a passage of 118 days, amongst the quickest generally going. James Park and I have strangely enough sailed from Liverpool and arrived on the same dates—our ground gone over has been much further than usual, being 1700 miles, while 15, or even 1400 is the general passage. Our sailing have averaged six knots the hour—very quick. "I spent a few days at Hong Kong, which from being a few Chinese huts, is now a large town of 10,000 Chinese and some 200 English, besides the troops 2000 strong and shipping. The bay has a fine appearance—the merchants' houses are large and commodious, but very expensive, one under \$4,000 cost besides a

yearly fee duty of £50—many of them £10,000, £20,000 and few of £300 according to situation. So little of the island is fit to build upon, that much competition has arisen for sites. There is not so much sickness there this season as last, and as the place gets colder it will get the healthier.

"I shipped myself on board a small schooner to this, about 100 miles, and had a tedious passage of 2 days, the worst of which was that my luggage was by mistake in another boat, and I got neither soap, shave, nor change for 3 days, arriving here in savage condition last night, but thankful to get my luggage safe this morning. I find Mr. Anderson (his partner) and James Park both remarkably well, and in a very tolerable domicile, in part of one of the Chinese merchants' houses. We have very little room, only enough to live in without having bales of goods. (Chalmers here inserts a diagram to illustrate his quarters.) The servants are in some other part of Hong Kong.

"Enormously High" Rents

"The situation is confined, the only open spaces near being the garden of the English factory, a place large enough to play at quoits and skittles, and that of the American factory, about four times as large. There are one or two behind, but those being only some 6 feet wide, and crowded, do not afford an agreeable promenade. In our Hong, Ming's, there are some 3 or 4 more such sets of chambers as ours, inhabited by English houses—ours is in the centre, the quietest berth—rent 1400 dollars, about £320 p. annum, enormously high, but we may be thankful to get a place at all.

"No houses have been built upon the site of those burnt at different times since the war—the space allotted to the English by treaty for this purpose was let out to the merchants some 10 months ago to build upon, but most of them have given up their bargain, our government's terms being too exorbitant. Mr. A. had taken a stance which wd. have incurred a large outlay, but I am glad to find he has given it up, though I almost expected to find a house of our own built. It is much better to rent even at a large sum, than to hold property here, as it is very insecure. The Chinese mob have a great dislike to foreigners, and rows frequently occur, in which they like to burn the factories when they can, and no insurance can be effected on property or goods. There is a small encampment of Chinese soldiers close to our abode, and the authorities are always anxious to protect us, but are weak.

No Place Of Worship

"There is no place of worship amongst the English here—the Americans have a missionary amongst them, who holds service generally every Sunday in one of their houses, which all Europeans may attend. James Park and I went today, when we had service according to the Presbyterian

mode. This goes off tomorrow or next day, and I must cut it short now, having to give up my idle life and mind the where-withal to gain my daily bread, which will cost not a little in this expensive quarter. The weather, they say, has been very hot here; and they call this a hot day. For my part, I have been in no heat that I find at all disagreeable or weakening, indeed.

"I have been stronger and better appetite since passing Amoy than previously. Mr. A. and Park lived in a miserable cellar here until getting the present chambers, where the former took ill and had to go to Macao for some days. I wonder it did not lay both seriously up, and may be thankful at having come out only when all is comfortable. I shall write Anne and Margaret about our domestic economy when I find it out myself—all I know yet is that the feeding is capital. Part of your July mail is in, and I have been reading a newspaper of 8th July. I may have letters from you before sending this off— meantime I beg best love to all, and remain:

Most affectionately
PAT. CHALMERS.

Mr. Bevin Ticks Off The Press

London, June 7.

Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin today mildly reprimanded the British press for giving what he described as "certain misleading interpretations" of the plan for aid to Europe outlined by U.S. Secretary of State George Marshall.

Mr. Bevin issued a statement explaining that Marshall's speech was under close study by several Cabinet Ministers and emphasizing that no further official reaction would be announced "until the study is completed."

Meanwhile, Mr. Bevin said, the position of the British Government would remain as announced in yesterday's statement, which said the Marshall plan was "warmly welcomed."

Mr. Bevin's statement did not amplify his criticism of the British press for "certain misleading interpretations," but was believed to refer to suggestions that the United States appeared ready to form a European bloc to combat Soviet influence.

Bevin said the British Government had no prior knowledge of Marshall's speech.

Spy Trial In Belgrade

Belgrade, June 7.

A Greek citizen employed at a Yugoslav airport told the court today that the Greek authorities had threatened the lives of his relatives unless he disclosed information about the airport.

George Bakdevinoglu, charged with espionage, said the Greek military attaché at Belgrade made the threat when he sought a Greek passport entitling him to remain in Yugoslavia. The Greek attaché, who was recalled to Athens last month at Yugoslav request, allegedly asked the defendant about the number and disposition of aircraft at Zemun airport.

Bakdevinoglu said he yielded to the threat and passed along "a little truth and some lies." Two Yugoslavs and two other Greeks are on trial with him on similar charges.—United Press.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Master Alwyn said his first word today, sir—'Wow!'"

A Great Ideal At Scheveningen

The Dutch are apologetic about the paintwork in the Palace Hotel at Scheveningen.

It is not properly dry yet. All Holland took a holiday to celebrate the anniversary of the liberation and the repairs to the hotel (which was too close to Hitler's Western Wall to escape damage) went hang like everything else.

However, a patch or two of wet paint is not going to damp the ardour of the 28 nationalities who are meeting in Scheveningen.

The United Kingdom and its various Dominions are well represented. So are America, France, and five other major continental countries.

Representing the National Farmers' Union of Great Britain, its members found everywhere a desire for world co-operation among other unions.

On returning to this country they set about making the wish materialise. Their first move was to contact every known farmers' organisation. The result was amazing. By May, 1946, a Conference of Agricultural Producers was in session in London, at which no fewer than thirty-one nations were represented.

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At Scheveningen, for the first time in history, the farmers of the world are getting together in a great common ideal. It may succeed in maintaining peace where politicians have failed.

Their object is to agree so closely over the growing of food, its price control, and its distribution, that never again need any one country go short while another has a surplus crop. In other words, they are aiming at making one vast farm of the world that will feed all its people adequately.

Never again need the spectre of famine arise through hoarding, and artificial price levels if the Federation has its way. At present, the number of farmers in a country often bears no reasonable relation to the total population.

The figures are a mass of paradox. In India, where the total population is assessed at 389,000,000, there are something like 800,000,000 farm workers. Yet India is scourged incessantly by famine.

As a happier contrast, in the United States the population is placed at 136,000,000 of which only 26,000,000 work in farming. There are 20 per cent. of farm workers compared with India's 77 per cent., yet America is a country that exports food on a tremendous scale.

The Federation of Agricultural Producers owes its origin to a small British delegation that toured America and the Dominions in 1944.

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To-day, for the first time, its members will discuss how it is to operate in future and how it can bring practical application to the ideals it has already expressed.

The first few meetings will be mostly concerned with organisation, but when the conference breaks down into committees, it has many plans to discuss. First of these is the stabilisation of prices on an international scale. Commodity agreements and the World Food Council are other points scheduled for discussion together with the organised disposal of surplus crops.

Another project that delegates will be asked to consider is the creation of a world-wide survey service to watch the distribution of farm equipment and machinery.

Given a fair distribution of the tools, the conference is prepared to show the world that the farmers can finish the job of feeding the millions. And with something to spare.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

"The Authority on Authorities"

A POST-MORTEM EVIL

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S A Q 7 2
H K 7 4
D A Q 5
C J 9 6
S J 9 6
H 10 8
D J 7 6 3
C K 5 3

S 5 4 3
H Q 9 5 3
D 10 8 4 2
C 4 2

S K 10 8
H A J 2
D K 10
C A Q 10 8 7

Dealer: North. North-South vulnerable.
North Pass South Pass
ID Pass SC Pass
3S Pass 4NT Pass
4H Pass 5NT Pass
5D Pass 7NT Pass

Bidding along a narrow different line, all North-South

pairs got into a No Trump slam on this deal, some in a small slam and some in a grand slam. When the scoring was completed, it developed that some of the declarers had taken only 12 tricks and others not 13.

"You can't possibly take all the tricks on it," said one of the grand slam bidders who was set when the club finesse failed. "Certainly you can," objected one of the others, "because the club finesse works." "Let's take a look at the board," suggested a third. "Maybe the cards got mixed up." Examination proved that he was right, and ultimately the culprits who did the mixing were located. East had suggested that his not vulnerable partner should have made a not-vulnerable psychic double or bid after South's powerful 5-Club, in order to induce the strong opponents. Each then took his partner's hand out of the board to see what the other held. Then of course the hands got put back into the wrong pockets. When they were interchanged, the club K became a winner. Penalties punished that pair for mixing the board, but they were inadequate.

When the bidding of the other players has indicated possession of more strength in high cards than they could possibly hold—in view of your own holdings—what is usually a sound guide as to what player is indicating greater power than he actually possesses?

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Labour's "Brutal Frankness"

Leamington, June 2.
Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary, "criticised" the Labour Party today for "brutal frankness" toward the Soviet Union and "patronising criticism" of the United States.

Referring to the Party's new interpretation of foreign policy in the pamphlet entitled "Cards On The Table" Mr. Eden said: "With its brutal frankness towards the Soviet Union, with its patronising criticism of the United States, and with its wholly unwarranted attacks on the Conservative Party, it is surely a remarkable example of a new method of diplomacy, by universal insult."

"Cards On The Table" accused Russia of anti-British propaganda. It included a critical analysis of United States policy.

MOSCOW REPROACHES BRITAIN

"Hiding The Truth About Soviet Relations"

Friendliness Of Mutual Benefit

Moscow, June 7.
British foreign policy makers were accused today by the Russian influential political journal "New Times" of "following slavishly in the train of the world's—especially American—monopolists and hiding the truth about Soviet relations from the British public."

In a detailed editorial analysis the journal saw Britain's present course as "diametrically opposed to the expressed desire for strengthening Anglo-Soviet ties. But, it added, it was the real desire of the British working class and democratic circles to see Britain "among the progressive democratic countries in the role of defender of peace and not as a servant of American reaction."

"Interference in the affairs of other peoples, violation of the sovereignty of other states in order to support the forces of reaction, moral and material support for Fascist and Fascist-like regimes as in Spain and Greece, orientation with a bloc with new pretensions for world domination such a policy does not answer the interests of democracy nor the task of building a secure peace."

"There are no irreconcilable conflicts between Great Britain and the Soviet Union," the journal concluded. "Cooperation between them is necessary and possible. Development of friendly relations between the two countries will serve their mutual benefit."

Serving Two Masters?
The journal implied that the way towards reaching the new 50 year Anglo-Soviet agreement did not lie in the direction of siding with the United States or being in opposition to the Soviet Union.

"As long as British foreign policy travels along this road it will inevitably enter into conflict with the declaration about the wish to strengthen Anglo-Soviet relations," the journal said. "It is impossible simultaneously to serve two masters—the cause of peace and democracy on the one hand and the striving of the British and American monopoly for world hegemony on the other."

Just Demand
Asserting that the British Government "refuses to take upon itself the obligation not to participate in any bloc directed against the Soviet Union," that Britain, signing an agreement of friendship with our country, should not participate in any bloc hostile to us, in no way excludes

the friendly and commercial cooperation of Great Britain with the United States, or France, or any other country.

"The insistent attempts to distort and defame Soviet policy as energetically undertaken at the Margate Conference (the British Labour Party National Conference) were obviously caused by efforts to divert British public opinion from the simple and healthy thoughts which it has a tendency to speak out loudly, namely, that between Britain and the Soviet Union there are no irreconcilable conflicts."—Reuter.

Britain Accused

Berlin, June 7.
The local Soviet Army newspaper Tagliche Rundschau today accused the British occupation authorities of erecting an iron curtain by barring Soviet correspondents from their zone by demanding sterling payments for services furnished.

The Army organ said requiring pound payments was merely an "excuse" to keep Russians out.

British public relations officers replied that all Allied representatives, including Americans and British, must pay for facilities furnished by the British Army in pound sterling and that the Russians are not being discriminated against. A similar situation prevails in the American zone with dollar scrip.

Russian zone tours for British and American correspondents have thus far been without charge insofar as Soviet furnished services are concerned.—United Press.

ROUTINE ORDERS

Vienna, June 7.
An indication that the British authorities here expect the British troops will have left Austria before the end of this year, was given in today's British Army "routine orders".

The orders stated that as six months notice is required for the moving of a British soldier to a foreign national, no more such applications will be accepted after June 15 owing to the probability of the British evacuation within six months from that date.—Reuter.

Red Army Sneers At D-Day

London, June 7.
Regret at the tone of an article published on the third anniversary of Invasion Day in Tagliche Rundschau, described as a Red Army newspaper in the Soviet zone of Berlin, which belittled the activities of the British forces in the assault on the Normandy beaches, was expressed by a Foreign Office spokesman in London today.

He said that this was characteristic of the article, which, in common with Soviet film and an earlier article which appeared in the Soviet press, attempted to make little of the British war effort.

He added that these articles were in striking contrast with the terms of the Order of Day issued soon after Invasion Day by Marshal Stalin which had praised the activities of Russian Western allies in very generous terms.

Through there is little new in the tone of the article in Tagliche Rundschau, the incident may have more serious consequences than on the previous occasions since this appears to be the first time when such an article has been permitted to be printed in a German-language paper.

It is considered probable that the British authorities will investigate the circumstances in which the article was published.—Reuter.

RAIL SIGNALMEN ARRESTED

Prague, June 7.
The Czech police today arrested two signalmen after a train collision at the "Wilson station" in which seven people were killed and four seriously injured.—Reuter.

English Manners Awful!

York, June 8.
J. G. Bridges, general director of the Travel Association of Great Britain, said today that English manners are deteriorating deplorably.

He suggested a remedy to point out to bores "politely but firmly" that their manners are awful.

"No one likes to be told that his manners are bad, and may by a little frank telling would stop the nuisance," he said at a public meeting.

Despite the state of manners, England will have many visitors this summer, Bridges said. Shortages, he said, will make no difference to tourists.—Associated Press.

Provisional Korean Govt. Talks

Seoul, June 7.
A joint bulletin issued today by the United States-Soviet Commission, discussing the establishment of a provisional Korean Government, announced agreement on the "order of consultation with more democratic parties and social organizations in Northern and Southern Korea."

This is the first major agreement yet reached between the two countries on the basis of consultation with Korean parties in the two zones of Korea separately occupied by the United States and Soviet armies.

Agreement was also reached on two questionnaires to be issued to Koreans on the structure and political platform of the "provisional government." The questionnaires will be distributed after June 9.—Reuter.

Truman Marches In Parade

Kansas City, June 7.
President Truman today marched once more at the head of the field artillery battery he led in World War I.

The Chief Executive received an ovation from an estimated 50,000 Kansas City onlookers as he rode at the head of the 35th Division parade, flanked by 40 marching members of his old battery.

Then a mile from the Liberty Memorial shaft where he was scheduled to review the marching units, he stepped from his car to the surprise of secret service men—and for the last mile, he marched at the head of his outfit.—United Press.

PALESTINE DAY

New Delhi, June 7.
The All-India Muslim League today called on Muslims throughout India to observe "Palestine Day" on June 17 in conjunction with Muslims throughout the world.

In view of the disturbed conditions in the country, Muslims are enjoined however to observe the day by praying in mosques for the success of the Arabs in Palestine, and not to break prohibitory orders by holding public meetings or processions.—Reuter.

PLANE MISSING

Jacksonville, Fla., June 7.
The Naval Air Station here sent out a rescue plane to search for an unidentified Navy plane which ordered its crew to prepare for an emergency landing in the ocean north of Savannah, Ga., today.—United Press.

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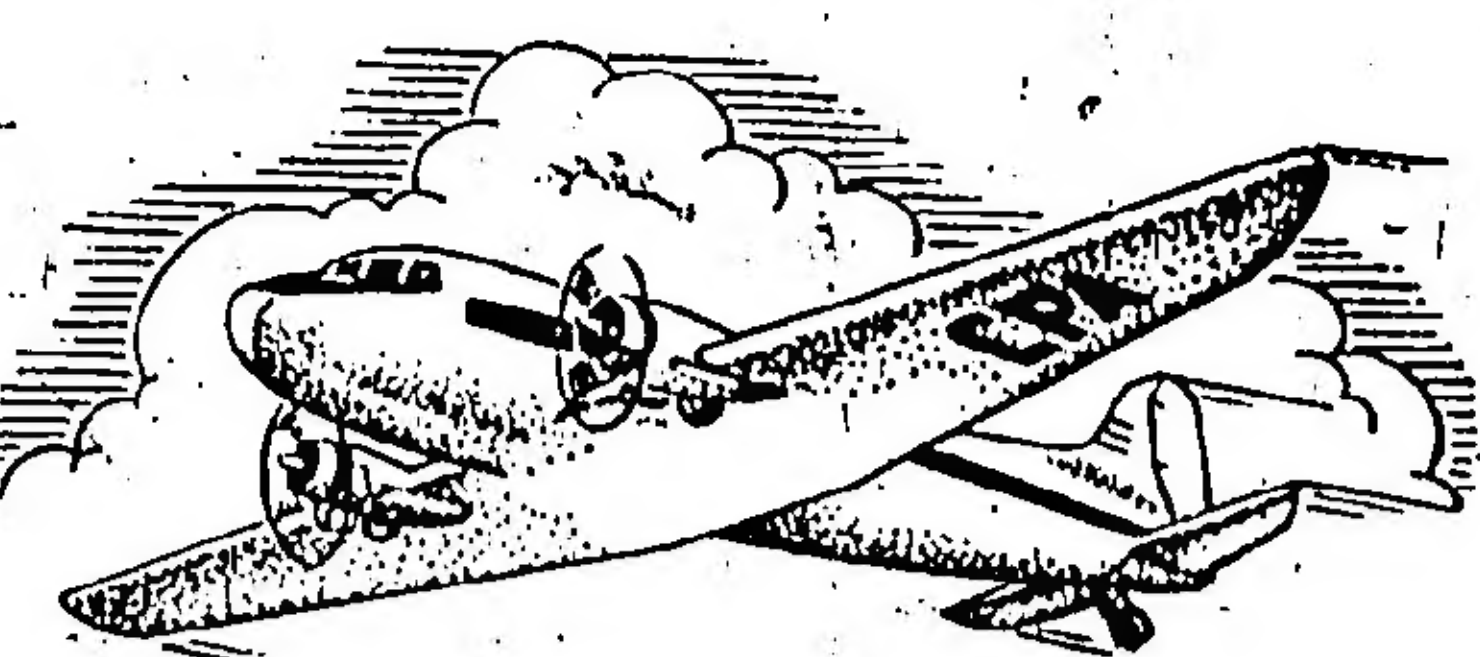
CHARLES DICKENS'

"GREAT

EXPECTATIONS"

FRONTIER FIXED

Paris, June 7.
The present frontier between Ethiopia and French Somaliland has been officially fixed by an exchange of letters between the French Minister at Addis Ababa and the Ethiopian Government after a mixed frontier commission had reported.—Reuter.



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PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY

CALL TO WORKERS

Moscow, June 8.
"Pravda" today called on the working classes of Europe to band together to defeat Rightist and bourgeois political parties. In a lengthy article by Boris Ponomarev, the Communist Party organ said:

"As a result of advances in the masses, the Communists and Social Democrats have received enormous prestige in an overwhelming majority of European countries."

"The Communists, faithful followers of the unity of the workers' movement and democratic forces, have proposed as a necessary condition in the struggle with reaction the creation of a bloc of anti-Fascist parties to achieve victory at elections and form coalition Governments."

"In many countries, primarily Poland, Rumania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Hungary and Czechoslovakia, the Social Democrats and peasant parties have followed this path and are actively co-operating with the Communists and large scale democratic organizations are being successfully realized."

Bourgeois Reaction

"In Britain and Norway labour Governments are in power; in Sweden the Social Democrats have existed for over 10 years. In France, Belgium, Austria and a number of others the Social Democrats occupy important posts in the Government.... only the Soviet Union freed the peoples of western Europe and returned to them their democratic freedoms."

"These lessons cannot be cast aside. They cannot be forgotten."

"Pravda" said today in the struggle against "bourgeois reaction" was most important. It said: "Bourgeois reaction in a majority of European countries does not at present have sufficient force, strength nor opportunity to oppose the working classes of united."

Attacking what it called "monopoly capitalism," "Pravda" said: "It can give the masses nothing but endless wars, constantly repeating economic crises and uncertainty."—Associated Press.

Quislings To Die

Zagreb, June 7.
Sladko Kvaternik, former War Minister and Commander in Chief of the armed forces of the independent "Quisling" Croat Government, was sentenced to death by shooting by a Croat State court today.

Dr. Cank, former Croat Finance Minister and envoy to Berlin, Dr. Alajbegovich, former Croat Army Minister, and Ivan Percevic, former chief of the "Quisling" War Office, were also sentenced to death by shooting.

Siegfried Krashe, former German envoy to Croatia, was sentenced to death by hanging.—Reuter.

London Dearer Than New York

London, June 7.
The United Press went shopping today and found that a dollar's worth of food, clothing or furniture in New York costs \$1.37 in London.

Armed with current copies of New York newspaper advertisements, correspondents set out to price item by item goods offered in display ads. No deliberate selection of goods was made and as many items as were available in London shops duplicating as closely as possible those to be had in New York, were priced.

When the prices were toted up the London average was 37 percent more than in New York.

Sainsbury's, one of London's largest chain grocers, provided most of the prices used to compare food costs with those listed in weekend advertisements of A and P, the large American supermarket chain. The result surprised even Londoners, who believed their carefully controlled and subsidized prices were cheaper than in the United States.

It was found that a dollar's worth of food in New York costs \$1.16 in London.

R. H. Blake, an official of Selfridge's, an American-founded London department store, threw up his hands at the prospect of matching American prices.

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WORLD TRADE WITH JAPAN

Plan To Work Within Two Months?

Tito Woos Rumanian Premier

Belgrade, June 8.
Speeches and newspaper comment with which Prime Minister Petru Groza of Rumania was greeted on his arrival here on Saturday on "a visit of friendship," clearly indicated that he is receiving a bid to bring Rumania within the framework of the "Slav bloc."
For the first time in their history there may be a possibility of cooperation economically, politically and culturally between Yugoslavia and Rumania.
Racially and in language the two countries have never before found any basis for friendly cooperation.
Both Marshal Tito and Groza expressed a desire to bring their two governments into what they called "complete understanding of the aims of the democratic peoples in the Balkan Basin and the Balkans." Associated Press.

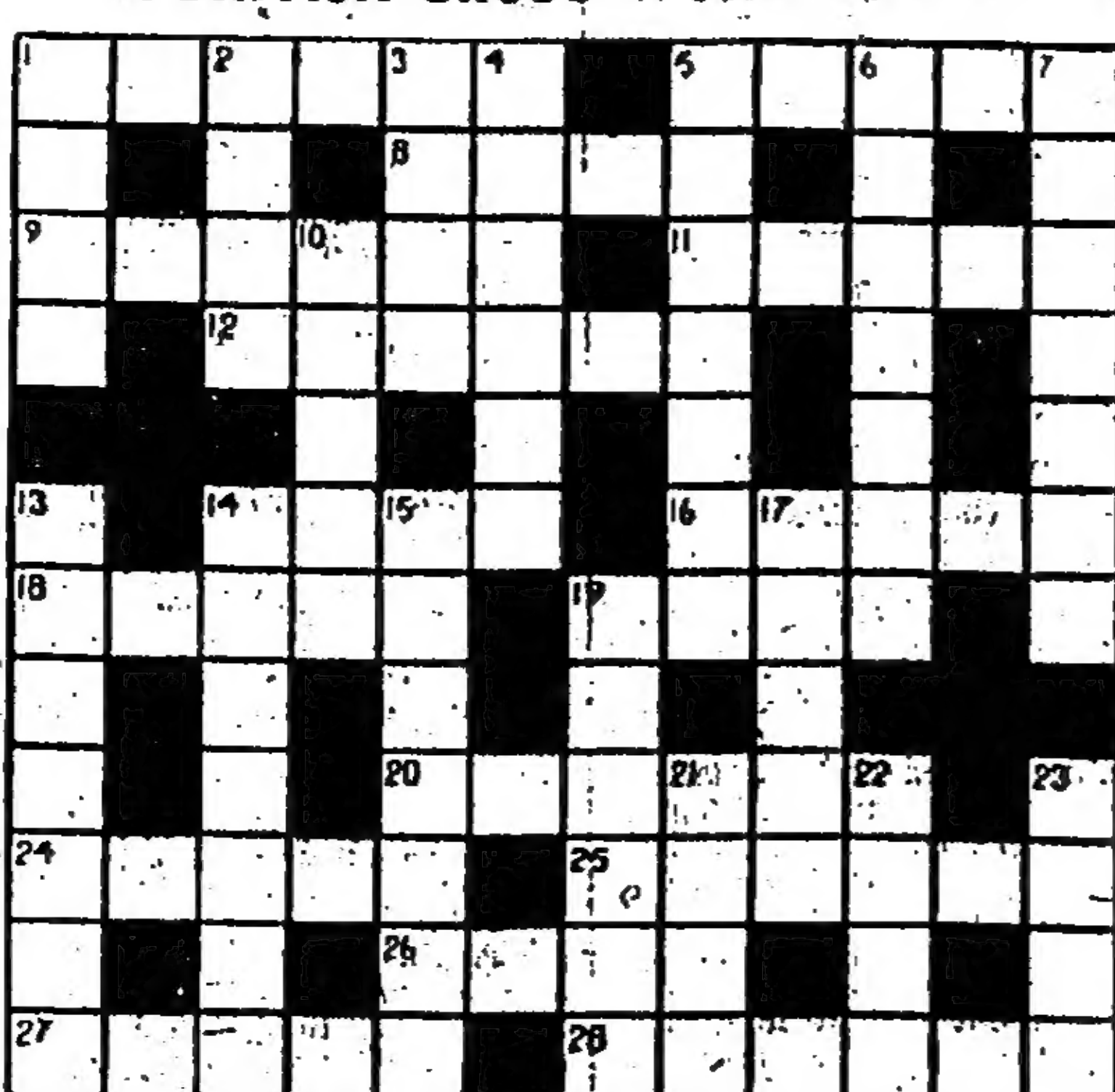
Talks On Indonesia

The Hague, June 7.
The departure of the United States of Dr. N. Hirschfeld and Dr. H. L. K. Van Vredenburg, adviser to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and head of the department for political affairs, respectively, has caused considerable speculation here.
The Hague newspaper "Nieuwe Courant" which reported the officials' departure to the United States, says that the object of their journey is to depict the difficulties in which the Dutch find themselves in the newspaper concludes by saying that this is due to the attitude of the Republican Government of Indonesia, and to obtain promises of support should the Netherlands try to realise the Lingardjati agreement in another way. Reuter.

New Trade Agreement

The Hague, June 7.
Bulgaria will be able to place shipbuilding orders in the Netherlands under the Dutch-Bulgarian trade agreement, once it is ratified.
The agreement was signed in Paris on June 4, and will make available to Holland, Bulgarian wood, bauxite, pyrites, oil, mica, tobacco and fruit pulp. In return, Bulgaria will get radios, medical supplies, chemical products, rubber and other commodities.
The agreement is to run for one year. Reuter.

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



Clues Across

1. Dog.
2. Indefinite.
3. Grant.
4. Pertaining to the teeth.
5. Din.
6. Straight-forward.
7. Worry.
8. Extent.
9. Experiment.
10. Mass of ice.
11. Highly pleased.
12. Applied.
13. Serene.
14. Behind time.
15. Vigorous.
16. Blacksmith's shop.

Clues Down

1. Fashion.
2. Tera.
3. Wound.
4. Choice.
5. Dare.
6. Piloting.
7. Came into view.
8. Ornamental.
9. Head-dress.
10. Unemo.
11. Digital.
12. Advanced.
13. In years.
14. Equipped with weapons.
15. Brags.
16. Abound.
17. Crazy.
18. Gainsay.

Saturday's Crossword

Across:—1. Sinks; 4. Editor; 8. Largest; 10. Arras; 12. Verger; 14. Disaster; 17. Pops; 19. Edvard; 20. Deplore; 22. Rail; 23. Twisted; 27. Raised; 29. Award; 30. Depart; 31. Swells; 32. Later.

Details Within Few Days

Washington, June 8.

The Allies appear on the eve of a definite move to reopen war-torn Japan to world trade and the beginning of economic self-sufficiency. The long discussed programme to get Japanese industry and commerce moving again on a global basis is expected to be working again in two months.

Prime objective is to give the Japanese people encouraging help in their efforts to support themselves and to lighten the financial burden of occupation on the Allies, principally the United States.

The War, State, Commerce and Treasury Departments and other branches of the government have completed plans with General Douglas MacArthur for trade revival.

"Obviously it cannot be a complete return to private trade," says Lieutenant General George Eberle, who headed an American group which has just returned from Japan. "But it is a big step in that direction."

The Allies are expected to announce details of the plan within a few days.

Prime Objectives

Just what nations will be permitted to participate and to what extent are expected to be among the things determined. It can be said that these nations which can contribute most to the objectives of the occupation may be expected to receive first consideration in the trade revival.

Prime objectives are getting needed raw materials into Japan and exports to those who can use what the Empire can produce and pay for them in money or materials that will further still Japan's comeback. United States firms interested in buying or selling in Japan long have been wanting to get their representatives back on Japanese soil.

U.S. Predominant

Obviously the United States will play a prominent part in the scheduled reopening of the Empire. From what other nations the commercial men will come remains to be divulged. But the United States will have a monopoly. How many traders from the designated nations will be acceptable to General MacArthur is another important factor. Now one or two hotels in every major Japanese city are expected to set aside for commercial visitors for limited times.
This hoped-for Japanese trade revival should go far toward solving Allied problems concerning the Empire. Coupled with the gradual economic solution of the reparations problem, it marks the greatest Allied progress with regard to Japan since Tokyo surrendered. Associated Press.

New York, June 8.
Columbia University, saying that it expects the resumption

TOTAL LOSS

Bangkok, June 7.
The Greek freighter, M. Xilas, of 5,118 tons, blazing in harbor here since Wednesday, is to be towed out to sink in shallow waters. The fire destroyed the vessel's 4,518 tons of rice cargo. Reuter.

Economic Talks In Montreux End

Montreux, June 7.
The closing session of the International Chamber of Commerce today heard speeches by the retiring president, Winthrop Aldrich, and his successor, Arthur Guinness.

It adopted resolutions to be submitted to the United Nations Economic and Social Council and the Trade and Unemployment Conference in Geneva.

Aldrich said that he hoped the resolutions would be considered by the Council and the Trade Conference.

Guinness defined the aims of the ICC as "close and loyal collaboration with the Economic and Social Council and all other special agencies of the United Nations."
The resolutions included:
1. "Everything in human power" should be done to prevent world depression.
2. The Economic and Social Council should "show speed and consideration in its dealings with economic and social problems of the hour."
3. Expressed need for an International Trade Organization.
4. Demanded economic activities be better harmonized with social needs.
5. Expressed the ICC conviction that the "attainment of a higher standard of living, which represents social obligations as well as an economic objective, can better be ensured by private enterprise within the framework of a public policy than by the expansion of direct activity of the state."—United Press.

POLITICS IN MALAYA

Kuala Lumpur, June 7.
Jon Thivy, addressing the opening session of the first annual conference of the Malayan Indian Congress of which he is president, today advocated an "opposition front" embracing all races and support for progressive elements in Malayan politics.
Referring to Malayan citizenship, Thivy said that Indians who wished to become citizens of Malaya would do so on the basis of single nationality. Reuter.

ALEXANDRIA BULLION

Alexandria, June 7.
Gold, per "admiral" 136% (plaster), Egyptian pound 440. Sovereign 403, Turkish pound 330, Napoleon 330, Dollar (piece de cinq) 440, Silver (plaster) per kilogram 840. Reuter.

ZURICH FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Zurich, June 7.
Zurich on London 12.35, New York 4.30, Paris 5.02, Brussels 0.87, Amsterdam 102.50, Lisbon 15.42, Buenos Aires 140.00, Stockholm 110.00, Madrid 29.70. Reuter.

British Newsmen Object

Prague, June 7.
Mr. J. E. Jay, President of the British National Union of Journalists, said here today that there were "dangers ahead" of the international journalists organization which ended its congress here today after an all-night session, in which the British and American delegates strongly protested against the "official tactics and ideological issues" being brought into the organization.

The "National Union of Journalists" has been a good friend of internationalism and is anxious to further the movement begun in London when the wartime international organization was resuscitated, Mr. Jay told Reuter.

"If however the congress is to become a forum and battleground of political ideologies, we may reluctantly be obliged to recognize that the building up of a worldwide organization of journalists is impossible."

Both Mr. Jay and Mr. C. J. Rindock, General Secretary of the National Union of Journalists, spoke during the closing session of the possible need for reconsidering the British union's relationship with the international organization. Reuter.

Norway Honours Britons

Oslo, June 8.
King Haakon decorated Admiral Sir John Cunningham, the British First Sea Lord, with the Grand Cross of the Order of St. Olav in a ceremony on board H. M. Aircraft Carrier "Vengeance" today.
The ceremony took place on the seventh anniversary of the King's departure from Norway for Britain on board HMS Devonshire under the command of Admiral Cunningham.
Other British officers decorated were Captain J.A. Miller, who received the Order of St. Olav, and Petty Officer Francis Chieftin, who received King Haakon's Liberty Medal.
Vengeance is escorted by two destroyers, Shybs and Cadiz. Associated Press.

MILK SHIPMENT TO JAPAN

Seattle, June 8.
The Seattle Port of Embarkation said that 11,340 barrels of dried milk left for Japan on board the freighter Henry Stephens, the first of such shipments from this port.
The milk will be used in a Japanese civilian feeding programme. The second cargo will be sent to Japan on June 25 on board the freighter Island Mail. Associated Press.

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Bombay, June 7.
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THIRD WICKET PARTNERSHIP OF 319 IN 4 HOURS**Students' Parents Undecided**

Shanghai, June 8.

The association of the families of arrested students told a press conference today that they have not decided yet whether or not to press legal action to effect the release of the students held in Communist jails.

They have asked on Mayor K.C. Wu and demanded the immediate release of the students or the publication of evidence justifying their detention. They told reporters that the Mayor offered them three alternatives:

1. The students must be detained for a period of re-education, with those not seriously implicated being released after the forthcoming final examinations and the rest being set free in two or three months.
2. That they invoke habeas corpus, after which the students will be prosecuted in court.
3. That evidence be made public and those proved to be Red agents be sent to Communist-held areas.

They denied the alleged statement by the Mayor that the families had consented to the

Nottingham, June 7.
 A record-breaking third wicket partnership of 319 in four hours between Alan Melville, who was 183 not out, and Dudley Nourse, out for 149, enabled South Africa to score 376 for three wickets against England by the close of play today in the first Test match of South Africa's present tour.

The visitors had piled up 203 runs for the loss of only two wickets at the tea interval.

The third wicket stand was the highest for South Africa in any Test match, their previous highest being 200 by Jack Siedle and Bruce Mitchell in Capetown in the 1930-31 series.

The previous best for any wicket in the England v. South Africa Tests was 280 by Paul Gibbs and Bill Edrich for England at Durban in the 1938-39 Tests.

Melville and Nourse continued to punish the ragged England attack after the tea interval to-day and runs came so quickly that the partnership reached 200 in 150 minutes.

100 Runs An Hour

Melville completed his century in 225 minutes, having then hit one six and seven fours, Nourse

continued detention of students and said that Wu declined to divulge the place of detention of their relatives, which they said the Mayor told them is "in confidence."—United Press.

Premier Of Hungary's Statement

Budapest, June 7.

The New Hungarian Premier, Lajos Dinnyes, said in a statement to a foreign press conference today that "nobody can withdraw the right from us or object to our intention to develop the closest collaboration with Soviet Russia."

Replying to a United Press correspondent's question on what Hungary's attitude would be if the case is submitted to the United Nations, Dinnyes said, "The Hungarian Government would not keep any secrets whatever and would answer every question before the United Nations Organization as well."

Dinnyes added in a prepared statement, "The Hungarian Government inevitably holds on to its opinion that it will keep up the closest collaboration with all democratic powers—the United States, Britain and first of all with Soviet Russia. Nobody can withdraw the right from us to build up the most friendly relations with our neighbours and no one can object to our intentions to develop the closest collaboration with Soviet Russia as our neighbouring country."

The prepared statement said, "As for the dissident Ministers abroad we must make some dis-

crimination among them. Paul Auer, former Minister to Paris, resigned formally and did not make impossible his eventual return to Hungary. The case of Ferenc Gordon is much sadder and he will not represent Hungary in Switzerland any more."

Dinnyes said, "It is very hard to characterize the attitude of Bela Adakazi-Kasany, our Minister in Ankara. His leaving his post is not a political but a criminal question as he took away the cash of the Legation."

Dinnyes, replying to a question, said, "The crisis was brought about by the revolt of the majority of Smallholders against the dictatorial tactics of Nagy and Varga. At no time did Nagy offer to refute or answer charges against him now under consideration by the public prosecutor."

Dinnyes said he favoured a new election, but added, "The new elections cannot be held before early autumn."—United Press.

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Reg Harris of the Manchester Wheelers won the National Cyclists Union thousand yards sprint championship at Herno Hill here today, beating Ken Marshall of the Polytechnics by half a length, making it Harris' fourth successive victory in this event.

Marshall led until the last 50 yards when Harris sped past him to complete the last furlong in 12.6 seconds, which was the fastest furlong of the day. Lew Pond beat Tommy Godwin for third place.—Reuter.

Nanjing, June 8.

The Taiwan People's Assembly and National Assembly delegates today sent a telegram to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek urging him to oppose the Japanese request for joint control of the Ryukyu Islands and immigration rights to Taiwan.—United Press.

any's match was 17,000. The scoreboard at the close of play read:

SOUTH AFRICA**1st Innings**

A. Melville, not out	183
B.M. Mitchell, b. Bedser	14
K.G. Viljoen, lbw. b.	10
Edrich, not out	10
A.D. Nourse, b. Hollies	149
O.C. Dawson, not out	3
Extras	17

Total (for 3 wks.) 376

—Reuter.

TERMS FOR PEACE IN INDO-CHINA

Saigon, June 7.

Dr. Ho Chi Minh, President of the Viet Nam Government, today expressed a belief that "the resumption" of negotiations between the French and the Viet Nam Nationalists—which have been broken off at present—would be facilitated if the French Government made a fresh and clear declaration regarding Viet Nam in the same way as the British did for India and Burma."

Replying to a special questionnaire by Reuter sent him by special courier, Dr. Ho Chi Minh declared: "The Viet Nam problem is not a domestic affair of France and we will bring our problem before the United Nations Assembly when necessary."

Of the attitude of the Big Powers to Viet Nam, he said: "China is brotherlike, America is friendly and the British perhaps neutral."

"Recognition of Viet Nam unity and independence are our minimum terms and conditions for peace," he said. "By unity I mean the formation of Cochinchina, Annam and Tonkin into a single unitary type of government which each country will have autonomous governments controlled by and be responsible to a central government."

Dr. Ho Chi Minh explained his conception of independence as "the Viet Nam peoples' right to manage their affairs without foreign assistance."

Never Again

He stated that the Viet Nam Government would not agree to form a common government with only Annam and Tonkin, leaving the Cochinchina incorporation to be decided later by referendum. "We accepted that arrangement once before, but never again. Our compatriots in Cochinchina, having made supreme sacrifices for the reattachment of Cochinchina to the Fatherland, cannot be betrayed by us," he declared.

He dismissed as "a mere pretext" the French contention that settlement with him would mean giving Russia a foothold in Viet Nam. "Soviet Russia did not exist before 1916, but French domination of Viet Nam has been a fact for more than 80 years," he said. "Ho Chi Minh may be a Fascist or a follower of Confucius, but the Viet Nam Government comprises representatives of all political parties as well as non-party leaders."

Desires Peace

Describing as "quite false" the French delegation's claims that he "provoked the present hostilities," the Viet Nam President said: "The Viet Nam Government ardently desires peace in proof whereof we have abolished the Supreme Committee of Resistance, reorganized the Government of National Reconstruction, and just initiated a three-year reconstruction plan for Viet Nam."

He reiterated that the Viet world must rally in order to

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